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Garden Club Conference Will Be Held Here on March 30

Most Attractive Display of Articles of Interest and Assistance to All Gardeners Will Be Shown— Many Have Worked for Its Success

The annual conference of the Andover Garden club will br held at Peabody House on Phillips street, Andover, Wednesday, March 30.

A most attractive display of articles of interest and assistance to all gardeners will be ready at half past ten as well as a showing of handcrafts submitted by local craftsmen. There will also be demonstrations of sweets and waffles to supply the needed energy for the toiler, and frozen salads so filled with cream that it may be necessary to dig from morn 'til dewy eve to shed the pounds added by them. A most welcome cooker which works while you weed also will be shown. The conference is open to all and no fee will be charged. The morning speaker will be Miss Mary Cunningham who at eleven o'clock will talk on "Design in the Perennial Garden". This is a most important subject for no garden can be attractive unless serious thought is spent upon its arrangement and color.

Sometimes the arrangement is caused by outside forces. Each morning we are amazed at the variety of design in our own garden.

Arrangements

Either the top of the bird bath knocked off by the dog, leans against the fence and stands like a Roman shield behind the tulips or a chewed up croquet ball appears from nowhere among the violets. Another striking still life, arranged by the Little Visitor, was a small coffee pot, flanked by a kitchen spoon nestling in a generous hole, the four-o'clocks lying in distress at one side.

These arrangements seem to be perennial and it will be interesting to compare Miss Cunningham's ideas of design with those thrust upon us.

Directly after the morning session a delicious luncheon will be served at the Phillips Inn. Tickets for this must be purchased from Mrs. Mitchell Johnson, 47 Central street, before March 28, or may be secured by sending a check for one dollar with addressed and stamped envelope to the Phillips Inn.

Natural Is Beautiful

At two o'clock Walter Prichard Eaton will speak on "The Natural Gardens of New England."

This subject should strike a responsive chord in every listener for someone has said, the Natural is the Beautiful. Nature is let loose in our own garden. Given a few days rest it produces milk weed and golden rod which stand high among the phlox, or some too natural rocks are pushed up by an unseen hand during the night and are sitting on the seeds; worse still the natural instincts of the dog compel him to make a nose dive through the hollyhocks in search of our ancient and domesticated toad.

Our garden is certainly nothing if not natural. Of course one must steel onesself against serious misfortune, but it is difficult to overcome the natural desire to offer a dose of poppy seeds, which would induce permanent sleep, to the ancient accommodator, who with sight and smell slightly impaired, mistook our choice tulip bulbs for onions and served them in cream sauce.

It will be most comforting to hear Mr. Eaton speak of other natural gardens which probably have more repose and less real nature.

The complete list of interesting exhibits for the conference, which seem to include everything except the Old Farmer's Almanac, is printed elsewhere.

March 30 will be the day to learn many new facts about gardens, discover new accessories, eat a delicious luncheon and meet one's good friends. Don't miss it.

E. H.

Garden Conference

Exhibits this year at the Garden Conference bid fair to be more extensive and fascinating than ever before. All the world, it seems, is bent on saving time and money in its practical affairs. Many are the gadgets to be displayed with this end in view. The real purpose of the conference, however, is to emphasize gardens and gardening as an art. And no one need go away without some article of use or adornment, or some suggestion of beauty for the home or garden.

As an invitation to out-of-door living, Maple, Chintz and Pewter, 99 Mt. Vernon street, Boston, will bring Mexican baking dishes and French individual casseroles, Basque porch-table runners and Spanish flag-stone brushes . . . At last the perfect plant marker! Sold by J. H. Playdon at ten cents each. Generous contributions to the decorating scheme and plants for sale as

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T.P.A. Adds New Members; Has 460 Now

Between Town Meeting and Today Over Two Hundred Join Association

Membership in the Andover Taxpayers' association jumped 225 to 460 from the day before town meeting until yesterday. The directors attribute the leap in membership to general endorsement of the association's activities.

President O'Connell says the association has only started and will meet Friday evenings as usual. Mr. O'Connell has received requests for copies of by-laws from Haverhill, Saugus, Scituate and Rockland.

"I doubt if our association wants to accept the credit for the lowered tax rate which the newspapers insist upon giving us," he said. "We simply focussed public attention upon the necessity of fixing the tax rate in the vicinity of $21, where the Finance committee had previously indicated it should be. It was a united co-operative effort. The credit belongs to all."

Additional members listed to Wednesday follow:

Stanley, Joseph, Andover street
Smith, Libbey M. and Fred F., 89 Salem street, Reading
Stevens, Ruth and Carl, High Plain road
Stevens, William A. and Helen, 121 Summer street
Stowers, Nathaniel, 84 Main street
Tewksbury, Willis H., 7 Hidden road
Toye, William A., 240 Andover street, Lawrence
Ward, Richard A., 63 Lowell street
Wadman, Harry W. and Mabel L., 32 Maple avenue
Watson, Mary A., 29 High street
Wilson, Walter, 14 William street
Wilson, Mrs. Walter C., 14 William street
Zecchini, Francis and Mary, South Main street
Bailey, William H., River road
Beatley, Ralph E., 129 Chestnut street
Blanchette, 81 Beacon street
Bradford, Roy H., 138 Main street
Campbell, Robert, Jr., 31 Shawsheen road
Carter, Herbert P., Lowell street
Cheever, William B., 63 Chestnut street
Cummings, Florence L., 28 Phillips stree
Connor, William A., 18 Elm court
Daly, John, 96 North Main street
Doherty, John A. and Jennie E., 19 Harding street
Doherty, Martin and Mary, 19 Harding street
Donovan, Catherine A., 111 North Main street
Draper, Ralph L., Carmel road
Dwane, Bridget M., 44 Morton street
Downing, James, Highland road
Feeney, James and Mary, Holt road
Fitzpatrick, Daniel, River road
Fleming, John J., 15 Highland avenue
Fraize, Elizabeth A. 101 Chestnut street
Gordon, Ann, 10 Maple avenue
Hartigan, Daniel
Herrick, Florence A., 5 Hidden road
Henderson, George M., Andover street
Hession, Mrs. Anna, 13 Essex street
Eaton, George T., 73 Bartlet street
Deyermond, Mrs. Robert V., 6 Washington avenue
Temple, Flora M., 228 Highland road
Hannon, Patrick J., 2 Florence street
Trott, Mr. and Mrs. Emery E., 8 Inman street, Lawrence
Selden, James K., 42 School street
Buchan, Raymond L., 5 Lincoln street
Curran, Margaret, 250 North Main street
McNally, John H. and Elizabeth M., 63 Maple avenue
Abbott, Anna B., 73 Park street
Barton, Louise S., South Main street
Callahan, Isabell, 14 Brook street
Crockett, Mary H., South Main street
Cutler, Granville K., Lowell street
Dehacre, Julian, 525 Essex street, Lawrence
Dennison, Harry L., 79 Poor street
Emslie, Edward C., 58 High street
Frotton, Georgie Alfred, 112 North Main street
Fleming, Edward, 3 Hillside avenue
Grant, Gordon B. and Margaret, Andover street
Horan, Frances E. estate, Ballardvale
Kemitzer, 87 Haverhill street
Lynch, Thomas W., Andover street, Ballardvale
Manning, John and Priscilla, 9 Maple court
Platt, Annie M., Bancroft road
Pritchard, Edward, 29 Morton street
Pratt, Mrs. F., 47 Ashland street, Medford
Smith, Clara, Rattlesnake Hill road
Sweeney, Francis, 43 Summer street
Turner, Harvey, South Main street
Walker, Dr. and Mrs., 121 Main street
Beard, William S., Uncasville, Conn.
Berry, S. D., 174 High street

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To Talk on Liquor and Liberty

"Liquor, Liberty and Local Self-Government" is the subject to be presented by Professor Foxcroft Cell of Boston University at the Ballardvale Methodist church on Sunday evening, March 20 at seven o'clock. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Union Congregational and Methodist churches. There is a treat in store for all those who attend. Special music will be sung by a vested choir. Everybody in the town of Andover is invited to be present.

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Two Teachers Resign from Abbot Acad.

Trustees Vote Resolutions of Regret for Miss Kelsey and Miss Mason

On Thursday morning, with most impressive ceremony, the Rev. Charles Herrick Cutler, D.D., in the absence of Judge Morton, president of the Board of Trustees, made known to the assembled school and faculty, the regret of the trustees at the resignations of Miss Kelsey and Miss Mason, and read the fine testimonials which are now spread upon the records of the board of trustees.

The trustees who were present were: Burton Sanderson Flagg, Treasurer; Edward Barton Chapin, clerk; Rev. Charles Herrick Cutler, D.D., Miss Bertha Bailey, Irving Southworth and Mrs. Constance Parker Chipman.

The Trustees of Abbot academy in session at their regular meeting at Boston, March 4, 1932, unanimously adopted the following minute which was thereupon spread upon the records of the academy. It was further duly and unanimously voted that a proven copy of this expression of the feeling of the Trustees be given to Miss Kelsey.

The Trustees of Abbot Academy have learned with sorrow of the resignation of Miss Katherine R. Kelsey as assistant principal and teacher of Mathematics in Abbot academy, and they wish to record their profound appreciation of the service that she has given the school during the forty-four years through which she has been an active member of its faculty.

From the early days of her connection with the academy, Miss Kelsey gave the school her whole-hearted loyalty, and, as the years have woven more and more closely the tissue of association and of happy memories, she has identified herself with its interests with an affectionate devotion altogether unique. She has never measured her effort or considered her own interests, but has continually given her best to the service of the school.

As a teacher, she has worked with her students for straight and independent thinking, for an intellectual honesty that would enable them to trust their own conclusions, and has sent them out with a respect for truth and for right reason that has enabled them better to solve the problems of the later years.

Twice she has been called to take the full responsibility of administration for a year, during the absence of the principal. She carried this heavy burden graciously and with wisdom and dignity, holding the helm steady and ordering the affairs of the school with success.

In her contacts with the students, both as teacher and administrator, she has made each one of them feel her genuine interest and sympathy. Every girl who has gone out from Abbot academy thinks of Miss Kelsey as an interested friend, and to many of them this friendship has been a continued help and inspiration. She has given them a respect for values, a recognition of the finer qualities of human relationships, and a reverence for true living wherever it is found.

It is the hope of the Trustees that Miss Kelsey's influence may continue to be felt in

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Annual Good Friday Service

The custom of meeting together in Christ church on Good Friday night has brought many representatives of all the churches to a union service for a good many years. On Good Friday night the service will be held at 7.45 o'clock and the preacher will be the Rev. Charles L. Taylor, Jr., of the Episcopal Theological school, Cambridge.

A cordial invitation is given to all to attend. The choir of Christ church will sing and the offering will be for the Andover Guild.

Celebrate Days of the Colonies

Scenes from Colonial days were presented Wednesday night, March 9, by pupils of the Shawsheen village school under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher association in the school hall with a capacity audience present.

All of the participants wore the dresses and costumes of the period. One girl was attired in the gown of her grandmother. Powder and patches added to the reality of former days.

"When Betsy Ross Made Old Glory", a musical playlet, was a feature of the program. The part of Betsy was taken by Barbara Smith. Gen. George Washington was impersonated by Scott Walker and Martha Washington by Valerie Simmers. Others in the cast were Jack Lindsay, Douglas Howe, Thomas Hendrick, Gretchen Herrick, Norman Pike, Barbara Brown and Barbara Rice.

The soldiers were David Manning, George Gahm, Joseph Hendrick, John Thomas, Lawrence Reagan, Carol Estes, Bailey Lenane, William Mudge, Garrison Holt, John Collins, George Page, Alexander Blamire, Robert Kefferstan and William Snow.

The Thirteen Original colonies were represented as follows: Maryland, Robert McMackin; South Carolina, Russell Moore; Delaware, Barbara McLellan; North Carolina, Shirley Abercrombie; Massachusetts, James Manning; New Hampshire, Preston Johnson; New Jersey, Marjorie Dean; New York, Mary Dunn; Connecticut, Joan Waugh; Virginia, Sylvia Hall; Georgia, Karl Harig; Pennsylvania, Jack Mudge, and Rhode Island, Nancy Thomas.

There was music by the school orchestra, a toy one, made up of children from the first three grades only, directed by Allan Northum. A musical number, "Lullaby Lane", was sung by Marjorie Howes, Una Richard, Dorothy Dean, Elizabeth Ball, Eleanor Rafton, Priscilla Proctor, Barbara Lindsay, Corrine Manning, Nancy Rice, Ann Scanlon, Janet Gillen and Eleanor Innes. "Sunbonnet Sally and Overall Jim" was presented by Harriet Broughton and Stafford Lindsay.

There was also a "Welcome Song" by members of grades four, five and six, which opened the program. The announcer was Joan Waugh. The hall was decorated in red, white and blue in honor of the Bicentennial.

The affair closed with a grand ball and the dancing of the minuet by the cast, with George Washington and Martha Washington leading.

Quintet to Sing at South Church

Next Tuesday evening, March 22, at 7.30, a quintet consisting of Dorothy Eccles, soprano, Grace Elliot, contralto, Howard Harrington, tenor, Everett Collins, bass, and Mervin Stevens, baritone, will sing a program of Lenten music, consisting of the setting of "The Seven Last Words", by Heinrich Schutz, and Motets by Brahms, Cornelius, Bach, Mozart, Michael Haydn and Mendelssohn.

Concerning Heinrich Schutz (Henricus Sagittarius) Professor Moser, one of the outstanding musicologists of the present day, says: "As truly as Rembrandt (at least in his chief masterpieces) belongs today to the spiritual heritage of every cultured man, so Schutz ought form a part of the repertoire of every circle of singers within the bosom of the family, of every choral-organization, of every church choir. He has at last come to be reckoned as one of the few really great".

Schutz (1585-1672) studied composition for a number of years under the great Giovanni Gabrieli of Venice, and combines in his music Italian fervour with German depth. His "Seven Last Words" is doubtless the greatest setting of the Passion History before the great St. Matthew Passion of Bach, and is far more profound than the constantly sung work of the same title by Dubois. It is doubtful whether there exists in the whole domain of music a more dramatic passage than Schutz' setting of the words: "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken me?" The authoritative work on Schutz has been written by Andre Pirro, professor of musicology at the Sorbonne in Paris.

The public is invited. There will be an offering at the door to defray expenses.

C. F. P.

Phillips Regrets Last Night's Affair

The following letter was sent the police department today by Phillips academy, as a result of last night's events in which students of the academy snow-balled firemen who were fighting a blaze in the brooder on the Homer Foster place. The fire caused $500 damage and firemen were so plagued by the students whose markmanship was excellent, that they turned the hose on them and took one into custody. He was later released to Professor Forbes. The letter:

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The Chief of Police and the Chief of the Fire Department
Andover, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We regret and apologize for the conduct of an excited group of students at the fire last night. What started as fun became annoyance to the firemen in the efficient performance of their duty, and to the patient forbearance of the policemen.

We will not condone offences against the officers of the law, and the protectors of property. The entire student body this morning voted to disavow any hostility to the officers of the town, and empowered the Student Council to convey to both the Fire department and the Police department the apologies due to them.

Very truly yours,
Charles H. Forbes
Acting Headmaster

Andover Press Team Ties Match

Andover Press bowlers defeated the Trinitarian church bowlers in the second of a series of three matches Tuesday evening at the K. of C. alleys in Andover. The church won the first match two weeks before, and the victory of the Press makes the score in matches 1-1. Next week the play-off will be held in Lawrence.

In Tuesday's match, the Press aggregated 1564 against 1561 of the church, a small margin of victory. Herbert Marshall had the highest single, 126, and Harold Johnson, had the highest triple, 333. Both Johnson and Marshall are of the Press team.

The bowlers and their scores are: Andover Press, Marshall, 330; Polgreen, 311; Souter, 307; Harris, 283; and Johnson, 333. Trinitarian church, Richards, 309; Abbott, 329; Richardson, 299; Burnham, 309; Wainwright, 315.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

The Pythian Sisters met at Fraternal hall Tuesday evening.

J. Ashley Barnes returned Monday from a business trip to New York.

Miss May K. Johnson of Reading, Penn., has been visiting a few days in town.

Miss Charlotte David of Summer street spent Sunday with friends in Worcester.

The Andover Quintet will sing Lenten music at the South church next Tuesday evening.

The Punchard high school, class of '31, is holding a banquet and dance the evening of March 30.

Miss Eleanor Clark of Elm street who is a student at Jackson college in Medford spent Sunday in town.

Miss Marion Souter, who is studying at the Lawrence General hospital spent the week-end at her home.

William Dolan and John Daley attended the Saturday evening club ball at the Statler hotel in Boston last night.

Mrs. Andrew Burkholm of 66 Main street underwent an operation on her arm Thursday at the Lawrence General hospital.

The Free Church Players will hold their regular monthly meeting next Wednesday evening at the home of Rev. A. C. Church.

The Ladies Benevolent society at the Baptist church will meet next Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Wallace Ward, Whittier street.

Miss Edith Sellars, of Brook street, assessors' clerk in the town house, has been confined to her home on account of illness the past two days.

The Andover Christian Endeavor Union met jointly at the Free church Monday evening. There were special speakers. Refreshments were served.

Howard D. Harrington, tenor, of Andover, will give a concert Thursday evening, April 7, in Jordan hall, Boston. He will be accompanied by Edwin Biltcliffe at the piano and will sing nineteen numbers. Tickets are from 50 cents to $2.00.

Miss Grace Hatch of Whittier street who is a student nurse at the Beth Israel hospital in New York is enjoying a three weeks' vacation at her home. A fellow student from the hospital, Miss Hazel O'Brien of Springfield, Mo., has been her guest this week.

The annual Easter sale at the Chinese Gift Shop will begin on Monday, March 21 and continue into April. You will find a choice assortment of linens, jewelry, brasses, novelties, silk flowers, etc. Ella Lenora Holt, 35 Elm street, Andover. Telephone 63. Next door to the Free church.

Andover chapter, No. 187, O. E. S., will hold a bakery sale on Saturday afternoon, March 19, at two o'clock at J. H. Playdon's flower shop, 60 Main street. Mrs. Claire Ashburn, chairman of the committee in charge, has arranged an attractive display of home-cooked cakes, pies and bread.

The choral society of the First Church of Christ, Bradford, will sing Maunder's cantata "Olivet to Calvary" Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. They will be assisted by the junior and senior choirs. Horace Killam, organist of the church, will direct. Mrs. Hazel Reed Stopford, soprano, formerly of Andover, will be one of the soloists. Other soloists will be May Richardson, George Hurn, H. Wilfred Zink and Jesse Davis. The Misses Irma Beene and Marion Abbott and Mrs. Killam are Andover members of the chorus. The cantata will be repeated at the Baptist church of Plaistow, N. H., Thursday, when an orchestra will assist of which Miss Georgina Petrie is a member.

Town Achieves Lowest Tax Rate Since 1917 Without Cutting Employees' Salaries

Record Attendance at Town Meeting Monday Kills All but a Few Special Articles—Finance Committee Fails to Carry Out Plan on Steam Pump as Announced—Townsman Prints Verbatim Report

Four hours and ten minutes of town meeting last Monday afternoon settled the financial destinies of Andover for the fiscal year 1932 and after the smoke of battle over issues and personalities had cleared, the town was assured of a tax rate of $21.50, the lowest since the World War, a resolution had been passed by the meeting protesting the attempt to establish a state school for the feebleminded in West Andover, salaries had been maintained at their present level, but appropriations had been reduced $71,866.15 from 1931.

The most remarkable developments at the meeting were the failure of prearranged bombasts on certain articles to explode, the speed and efficiency with which the moderator conducted the business of the day, and the failure of the Finance committee to make a motion that a committee be appointed to study the need of a $20,000 steam pump at Haggett's pond. The article asking this $20,000 was withdrawn by motion of William D. McIntyre, chairman of the Board of Public Works, and when this occurred it was expected that the Finance committee would make the motion it had proposed in its supplementary report. The committee didn't, explaining after town meeting that the lack of discussion on the pump indicated the proposed motion was unnecessary.

Little for Special Articles

The total appropriation for 1932, as voted Monday, is $521,155.07. Of this amount, $513,330.07 was appropriated for article three in the warrant, leaving only $7,825.00 for special articles. This remarkably low figure for special appropriations was achieved by turning down every special article involving money except those affecting the proposed new way between Chestnut and Summer streets; the town's share of the cost of installing traffic signals at North Main and Union streets in Shawsheen village; the articles asking $1500 to buy a car and truck for the Board of Public Works; the article asking $500.00 to pay damages on the land the town will take by eminent domain from the B. & M. railroad near Haggett's pond; the article asking $50.00 to repair temporarily the Bailey and Richardson schools; and the article asking $400.00 to furnish quarters for the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Andover.

The total appropriations would mean a tax rate of $22 but Town Treasurer Thaxter Eaton reported that $10,000 in free cash was left over from last year and could be used by the assessors this year to reduce the tax rate another fifty cents.

Two innovations were introduced at the meeting by John F. O'Connell, president of the Taxpayers' association. First, all articles for special amounts were disposed of before departmental budgets were considered. Second, a large blackboard showed the progress of appropriations and the tax rate. A motion to have the board removed, by James Dugan, commander of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars, who asserted it was nonsensical and good for drawing cartoons, was overwhelmingly defeated.

The work of Alfred L. Ripley, elected moderator pro tem to fill the vacancy caused by Dr. Alfred E. Stearns' absence, was warmly praised by citizens after the meeting. He was credited with expediting affairs and preventing the meeting from becoming out of hand.

Record Attendance

The attendance was a record one. Over 1,000 people crowded into the hall which normally holds 650 people, and the balcony, platform and exits were crowded with men and women alike, standing throughout the whole meeting.

Two motions under new business were passed. Upon the move of Charles J. Bailey, chairman of the Finance committee, it was voted that a committee be appointed by the moderator to investigate the working hours and pay of town employees. Upon the motion of C. Carleton Kimball, and after an hour of impassioned and moving oratory on both sides of the question, it was voted to resolve to disapprove the coming of the state institution to Andover.

Glorifying war was strongly denounced by G. Edgar Folk, who rose to attack the acceptance of a German field piece by the town from the Veterans of Foreign Wars. After a prolonged discussion on whether the presence of the gun in the square would induce a war-like spirit, it was voted to accept the field piece with the provision that if it could not be set up in the square, it might be set up in the park.

The complete verbatim report of the town meeting follows:

George H. Winslow: I am very sorry to announce that Dr. Stearns, our moderator, is not here.

Frederick H. Jones: I nominate Alfred L. Ripley pro tem.

(Seconded)

John O'Connell: I move that the Town Clerk cast one ballot bearing the name of Alfred L. Ripley for moderator.

(Voted)

Alfred L. Ripley: Fellow citizens, the magnitude of the vote that has been accorded to me is a little alarming, but I thank you for the confidence which you have shown thereby, although I cannot honestly say I welcome the opportunity to appear in this capacity again. I had hoped that I was through with this duty, defunctus officio, so to speak.

I would remind you that we have a long warrant with perhaps certain items that may evoke considerable discussion, and the moderator is not in a position to expedite things materially. The conduct of the business here depends practically upon yourselves and I trust most sincerely that we can have a discussion that is frank enough, and full enough, but temperate, to the point, and avoiding personalities, being brief. On that basis I hope we may finish our warrant in time to get to our homes before nightfall. The warrant has been fully posted and undoubtedly read by most of you. I have to read you the beginning and also the two closing paragraphs and then we will take up the articles called for.

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School Board Organizes for Year Tuesday

Prepares Summary of Rules for Hiring Teachers—Elects Chairman, Secretary

The regular meeting of the School committee was held in the committee rooms Tuesday evening, March 15th, and was called to order by Mrs. French as acting chairman. The committee then proceeded to elect a chairman and the majority vote for H. Gilbert Francke was made unanimous. The majority vote for Clifford W. Dunnells as secretary was also made unanimous.

It was voted that the secretary write a letter to Frederick E. Cheever stating its appreciation of his services as secretary during his long term of office, and expressing regret at his leaving the board.

The minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and accepted.

A letter from the Gamewell company relative to fire alarm installation was read and referred to the Buildings & Grounds committee for further study. This letter gave an estimate of the cost of fire alarm installation in the high school group of buildings as $1587, the Stowe school $753, Bradlee school $745, and Shawsheen school $845.

An outline relative to teacher employment and tenure was amended and adopted. This is in strict conformity with the committee's procedure in the past. It merely clarifies their position. The outline follows:

Teacher Employment and Tenure

A resume of teacher employment procedure in the Andover public schools, as compiled by the sub-committee on teachers for the information and guidance of themselves and the School committee as a whole.

1. Applications are considered only from citizens of the United States who are graduates of approved normal schools or colleges, with at least two years of satisfactory teaching experience.
2. By vote of May 7, 1929 it is the policy

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Muster Forces to Fight School

The next move in the fight to prevent the state from building a school for feeble-minded in West Andover will probably be to have several petitions protesting its location here sent about the town to be signed by citizens and then forwarded to Governor Ely, according to information received from the citizens' committee which has already this week interviewed the Governor and Dr. George M. Kline, head of the department of mental diseases, on this matter.

The committee that went down to see Governor Ely Monday consisted of Frank H. Hardy, John F. O'Connell, Maurice Curran, Professor James Hardy Ropes of Cambridge, chairman of the board of trustees at Phillips academy, Frederick H. Jones, Walter Lamont and Fred H. Eaton. The group that went to see Dr. Kline Tuesday consisted of Alfred L. Ripley, John F. O'Connell, Maurice Curran, Frederick H. Jones and Frank H. Hardy.

Andover, collectively and individually, will expend every effort to stop the school from coming here. This became apparent when the town meeting Monday voted a resolution stating its disapproval of the school and became most definite after the committee's conferences with the Governor and Dr. Kline, both of which conferences brought out nothing tangible and little direct hope for Andover.

A letter from Alfred L. Ripley, who really began the move to stop the state school from coming here with Frank H. Hardy when communications between both were published in last Friday's Townsman, to Governor Ely, quotes his letter of last week to Frank H. Hardy and goes on to say in substance:

"Manufacturing in Andover is fast declining; but the desirability and attractiveness of the town as a place of residence is rapidly increasing. Its leading school, Phillips academy, now over one hundred and fifty years old, has a nation-wide reputation second to none: its girls' school, Abbot academy, one hundred years old, is also widely known and esteemed. The establishment of a school for feeble-minded in such surroundings would bring to the town irreparable damage, and no offsetting gain whatever. Other considerations will doubtless be presented by the committee, so that I need but mention some of them briefly.

"Andover has now some seven to eight hundred boys and girls, coming to the town from other towns, states and countries for their education at a period in their lives when characters are forming but not settled. What will be the result, morally, of the introduction into the town of a large group of feeble-minded? The dangers are obvious and many.

"The initial proceedings, of acquiring options on land for the school, were carried on secretly and without any adequate consultation to test public opinion in the town on the desirability of the plan. I therefore beg your Excellency to give this matter most careful consideration; for I am confident that you will then do all in your power to prevent the establishment of the proposed school in the town of Andover. There is no town within the limits of the state, where its presence would be more detrimental.

"I would add that my grandfather, my father and I have occupied continuously the house built in Andover by my grandfather over eighty years ago.

Respectfully yours,
ALFRED L. RIPLEY"

Retires After 55 Years as Local Barber

To John F. Soehrens, well known local barber of Main street, who recently retired on account of failing health, belongs the record of having outlived all the business men of Andover of 1877, which was the year his business career in town, began.

Mr. Soehrens was born in Holstein, in the northern part of Germany but came to this country when a young man in his late teens. His place of business on Main street, he had occupied for fifty-three years up to the time of his recent retirement.

Mr. Soehrens has seen the rise and fall of many of his customers. Many well known Andoverites of former days were customers at his shop, among them Dr. Bancroft of Phillips academy. Chief Justice Marcus Morton of the Massachusetts Supreme Court, Moses Foster, cashier of the Andover National bank and Professor Edgar Smyth of the old Andover Theological seminary. A star customer of fifty-five years standing is George Ripley.

Mr. Soehrens liked his work always, in spite of the lengthy hours and other demands. This interest in his work, perhaps, accounts for his long, successful, business career.

The introduction of the safety razor, in his opinion, caused a midget revolution in barbering. There was an appreciable decrease in earnings as the safety razor facilitated home shaving. The bobbed hair epidemic though it did at the height of its rage, gave the barbers more work, died down gradually and beauty parlors of which there were none in Andover of 1877, arose in time to take care of this phase of hairdressing.

Mr. Soehrens lived at the old Elm house for a few years, although a somewhat skeptical landlady had prophesied that if he were like a barber who had preceded him, he would not remain longer than two weeks.

It occasions some mirth in Andoverites of today when mention is made that horse troughs once decorated Main street and that spirited horse races took place up Main street to the academy. It is also within the memory of Mr. Soehrens the laying out of Washington avenue on Washington's birthday. The area known now as Punchard park, was then a miry swamp for the most part where minnows could be chased. Punchard high, at the time, had a total enrollment of about ninety and graudated four or five a year. Phillips academy students lived in wooden dormitories, drew their water from pumps and took their instruction from a faculty of about five.

The Boston and Maine railroad ran a train from Lawrence to Boston and back once a week.

All these changes make plenty of food for recollection and rumination for Mr. Soehrens whose wide circle of acquaintances wish him continually improving health and happiness.

Compinsky Trio Here Saturday

The Compinsky Trio returns to Abbot academy on Saturday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock to renew the splendid impression they made last year. Sara Compinsky, pianist, Manuel Compinsky, violinist and Alex Compinsky, violoncellist, came to Abbot last year almost unheralded and gave such an outstanding concert they were reengaged for this season. Andover people who enjoy chamber music played superbly will do well to reserve Saturday afternoon for this event.

A recent New York recital brought forth the following press notices: Times—"Brilliant performance. One can simply say with Du Maurier that they made 'beautiful music'." Evening Post—"The Compinsky Trio played an unusual program, entirely by memory. If Toscanini performs a feat in conducting without a score, think of an entire program for trio without printed notes before them!" Telegram—"The Compinsky Trio have scaled the peaks. Smoothness, flowing cadences like the clear beam of light from a flawless gem again marked the performance of these artists. In every respect their recital was a rich contribution to the chamber music of the season. Here was ensemble playing of highest merit, the instruments speaking as one." Sun—"Not every day does a string ensemble have the vastness of Carnegie's interiors and fill so resonantly with music worthy of that Muse's best traditions."

Women's Guild Supper Saturday

The bicentennial supper of the Women's Guild of Christ church will be held tomorrow evening, Saturday, at the parish house from 5.30 to 7.00. A delicious and bountiful supper will be served. Tickets are fifty cents and may be obtained from any member of the Guild or at the door. Mrs. Thomas Platt is general chairman, assisted by Mrs. Charles Warden, Mrs. John Flint, Mrs. Charles Cook, Mrs. Arthur Boutwell, Mrs. Oram Sheppard, Miss Alice Jenkins and Miss Brundette.

Cancel Egg Hunt on Easter

The directors of the Andover Guild announced yesterday after a meeting that there will be no Easter egg hunt this year in the public park as has been the custom. This hunt is usually held the Saturday before Easter.

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ARTICLE 2. To elect all other officers not required by law to be elected by ballot.

Moderator: This calls for the election of one trustee for the Cornell Fund for three years. The term of Charles N. Marland has expired and he is a candidate for re-election.

(Charles N. Marland nominated and elected.)

Moderator: The appointment by the moderator of a Street Lighting committee of five and a finance committee of seven is called for. The moderator desires to say that he is simply moderator pro tem, who knew of his election only five minutes ago so he is not prepared to make any such appointments, nor does he consider it his duty to do so. These appointments will be made by Dr. Stearns.

John F. O'Connell: Fellow voters of the town of Andover, I propose that Article 3 be laid upon the table until we have come to Article 25, for these reasons: It has been your custom in years passed to pass rapidly through the various items under Article 3, some thirty or thirty-five of them, wherein you appropriate a huge sum of money, many thousands of dollars. This has usually been done very rapidly with very little consideration. I feel sure that this article would fare much better and we would be happier and reach a more generally satisfactory decision in regard to these items if we first disposed of the special articles which follow it. I make that as a motion.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to use the sum of $800.00 of the unexpended balance in the Water Maintenance Department to purchase an automobile for the Superintendent of the Board of Public Works to be used in the performance of his duties, on petition of said Board.

Thaxter Eaton: The State Department of Corporations and Taxation does not like the form of this vote, so I would move "of the unexpended balance in the Water Maintenance Department" be stricken out.

(Seconded and passed and then Article voted.)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to use the sum of $700.00 of the unexpended balance in the Highway Maintenance Department to purchase a small truck, on petition of the Board of Public Works.

(Voted with same change as above.)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 for steam pumping equipment at Haggett's Pond pumping station on petition of the Board of Public Works.

William D. McIntyre: Because of the fact that there has been so much confusion in the minds of the voters in town, thinking that this pump asked for had in some way become a wedge to bring the State School to Andover, our board feels that this issue should be decided on its merits without having anything tied to it. For that reason we beg leave to withdraw that issue this year, and I make such a motion.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way, a way as laid out and approved by the Board of Survey, extending from Chestnut Street to Summer Street, between Avon Street and Upland Road, on petition of Daniel A. Hartigan and others.

William A. G. Kidd: That does not need to be accepted.

(Doubtful yea vote with moderator asking for reconsideration motion. No response to this suggestion.)

Michael M. Dwyer: I am asking for a vote. I want the moderator to explain what this article calls for, and its necessity.

Moderator: I have said the vote carried. If you want to speak in favor of it now you will be offered a chance for reconsideration.

John Traynor: Will you kindly tell me how that article went? We are in doubt here.

Moderator: A motion to accept this article and approve it was made and seconded and was put by the chairman. The chairman was a little in doubt and the moderator declared the vote carried.

Mr. Traynor: I doubt that vote.

Moderator: The moderator will entertain a motion to reconsider.

(Rising vote in favor of reconsideration.)

George M. Squires: I make a motion that you observe the order a little more.

Mr. Tryanor: I move this article be indefinitely postponed.

Frank H. Hardy: I have good reason why this article should be accepted.

John Holmelund: I rise to point of order. The gentleman previously speaking did not address the moderator.

Matthew Burns: It seems passing strange . . .

Joseph Burns: I rise to point of order.

Moderator: You have a motion to indefinitely postpone.

Roy Hardy: This question was raised by Mr. Dwyer who was on his feet. He was ready to talk and I was ready to follow him, when the vote was taken. I am one of those interested in this street. I am one of four interested parties, paying taxes on more than $100,000 in the town of Andover, and a little consideration should be given to us.

Moderator: I think we shall probably proceed quite as well if we do not try to stifle legitimate discussion. I shall recognize the gentleman who put this motion. The Noes have it. The question is before you.

Frank H. Hardy: If this street is accepted and put through and the money in the two following articles is appropriated there will be a profit to the town of Andover of over four and one-half percent on the money invested. For your information I will read the letter received by me from our engineers:

March 14, 1932

Frank H. Hardy, Chairman
Board of Assessors
Andover, Mass.
My dear Mr. Hardy:

In answer to your request regarding proposed valuation on lots in the new subdivision owned by C. W. Holland, et. als, I beg to report the following:

First: I find that the 1931 valuation for this entire property is $5,750. The proposed valuation for 1932 would be $13,750 which is obtained by using a six-cent rate on the new street and the present standing rates of nine cents on Summer street and ten cents on Chestnut street. There have been no allowances made in these valuations for depreciation on account of physical conditions.

Second: The increase in valuation in 1932 over that of 1931 would therefore be $8,000 which, if the tax rate remains at $24.20 would return in money to the town, $193.20. If the town proposes to spend $4200 on street improvements for this street the return in taxes would be 4.61 percent on this amount.

Third: If and when this tract is fully developed and houses are built the Board of Assessors should apply the same rate of nine cents on this street as now exists on Avon street, the total valuation would be $17,750. This is $12,000 more than this property is now assessed for and should the tax rate at that time be $24.20 the increase in income to the town would be $290.40 which would be 6.91 percent return on the above mentioned amount of $4200.

Trusting that this supplies you with the information desired, I am

Very truly yours,
CLINTON F. GOODWIN
For Morse & Dickinson

Roy Hardy: I want to add a little to the figures Mr. Hardy has read. I note the engineers figured that if $4200 is paid the return is so much. The two next articles in the warrant do not mention the appropriation of $4200 for sewage. They do not, however, say anything about a sewer assessment which is to be levied against the property. This must be levied whether it was in the original wording of the warrant or not. There will be about 750 feet of street there and the sewer assessment will be between $1600 and $1700, reducing the town's investment by about $2500 for this improvement. I do not think any of us are trying to have the town do something for us. We are proceeding in the regular way. We have a large investment and if the sewer goes through we will spend $3000. At present there are one or two things yet to be done by the abutters. There are piles of dirt and loam and gravel piled up on the sides of the street, so that if anybody buys a lot it can be used for grading, and not left in the streets as some people have presumed. As Mr. Hardy has read the figures, the town will make a profit in putting water and sewer through.

Without these improvements it is still farm land, but we have at least seven people who are actively interested in building, three of which are quite sure of building. We are not in it for personal profit, and I can prove it. Two or three years ago a real estate proposition was outlined there. It was divided into lots 50 by 70 and the property was about to be passed into the hands of speculative builders. Daniel A. Hartigan, I. R. Kimball and two others—we all bought the property to protect the neighborhood and not to make personal profit. If we break even on it we will shake hands with ourselves. We are not in a real estate speculation. We have had a survey and prepared plans and the boards have approved it this year. The Board of Public Works has followed our arguments and voted in favor of it. Then the Finance Committee gave us their approval. I also appeared before the Taxpayers' association but there was no action. We are sure that any fair minded citizen will approve these articles. It will bring in more revenue to the town and will bring in more money, and the surplus would go towards a decrease in the tax rate. It will provide people in town with quite a bit of manual labor if water and sewage are put in there. Many of these improvements call for machinery, but in digging ditches it is largely manual labor and the money will come out of the abutters and not out of the town. We feel it is a good bargain for the town. I have more facts and figures, but I hope the voters will give us their intelligent action.

Joseph Chambers: We are here to keep this tax rate down to almost nothing. When has the town been in the real estate business before? I do not remember. The petitioners admit themselves when the houses are built and the lots are sold there will be a big return back to the town.

Roy Hardy: That happens the minute this article is accepted.

Mr. Chambers: We are here to keep the town's money as it is. We don't want to blow it in on any wild goose scheme.

Moderator: Out of order.

Mr. Chambers (continuing): Doesn't it seem reasonable to you? The price of these lots is going to be $1200 when they are sold. They cannot be sold now for $1200, with no water and no sewer. They ask us to put forward the money to pay for that job. The lots are worth now about $50 and if the town spends money on them they will be worth $1200. Why should we do it? Why develop this property so that they can make a profit?

(Applause)

Roy Hardy: I tried to bring out the fact that without a house being built the town, due to increased assessments, would be better off than they would without accepting the street. As soon as the street is put there it immediately becomes assessed as house lots, paying the town interest on their investment, even without a house being built.

Mr. Traynor: It seems to be all wrong. We are not real estate operators. If you deed that land to me and the town will pay the money Mr. Hardy is asking for, I will take the deed myself and increase the town's profits. The town can buy the land off these fellows there, but we do not want to go into the real estate business. If you will develop a lot I will take it myself. Anyone here will take it. It is nonsense to be wasting time on it.

(Applause)

Michael M. Dwyer: I live on the edge of this development. That development is going to cost me extra taxes. I would not like to see a lot of tar-paper houses built on that field, neither would any of you who are talking against it in your own district. That field brought in $12 in taxes. Now get this. You people think the town is buying something for nothing. Twelve dollars taxes on a four thousand dollar assessment. Last year it brought in close to $300 and the minute that you accept it and the people know they are going to get water and sewers down that street it will bring you in, without anything further, $500.

As it was it is only a meadow. I have been cutting hay on it for five years. Acceptance will increase the value of all the surrounding property accordingly. The $2000 asked for the sewage does not mean that much, because the men that buy the lots pay for it. Do you want to stop the laboring man from getting a few dollars? Even if that was all that was spent and conditions as they are today in the town of Andover, you are not going to be assessed for that. That goes up against the lot. There are intersections that connect directly up with the trunk lines sewer and pay the entire cost of the sewerage. Two thousand dollars for water—if they will look back they will find how many times they asked two dollars and have carried over one dollar unexpended until next year.

What was the average cost per foot of laying water main last year? I will bet there won't be 95 percent here who will be able to tell us. A dollar and a half per foot. You can cut that $2000 almost in two and dig the ditches in a straight line almost like a steam shovel. They don't ask you to go to work and build the road. They put $1000 in with a steam shovel and brought it down to two percent actual grade from Summer street to Avon street. All you have got to do is to reason it.

Is it worth while to consider the people that are asking work and cannot get it? These people come in here and say "I will give you so many house lots if the town will build the road." They forget it takes a lot of building before you can go over it with a wheel barrow. They tell you that they expect to spend some more on it. Anybody that honestly has the welfare of the working man of the town of Andover at heart will pass that. If you do, that goes into his pocket. If you don't you are going to have a big welfare bill next winter. Then you will have somebody asking to go and scatter sand along the county road. I hope you will give this your best consideration. It is going to cost me something, because I know they will boost the price of my land.

Matthew Burns: It seems strange, passing strange, that the self-constituted watchdogs of our town treasury have failed to put their teeth into this juicy morsel and stop it. You taxpayers are here for that purpose, regardless of whether your self-constituted agents are being silent or not. It was no surprise to me to have my friend Mr. Hardy get up and quote those figures. All he said was, and all he wants to think is what you call the element of time. Give any development time and it will become a development. You have had here this afternoon for the first time for years and years the privilege of considering a primary development. Whether you believe it or not it is a matter of record. I am astonished that the head of the Taxpayers' association remains silent when he is ready to attack with drastic economy every item that comes up before you for your consideration. I am talking now against men who are my friends, or who are supposed to be.

Moderator: We are getting away from the proposition. We will have to keep a little closer to it.

Matthew Burns: However, we will go back to the question. Don't you people be led astray with anyone who tries to pay their political debts with your taxes. Right before your eyes today you have seen a demonsteration that you will never forget.

(Laughter)

I am very glad to announce a rent payer's association. I ask you, Mr. Rent Payer, to go him of the Taxpayers' association one better. We are here for economy and we will make him come through with it or we will know the reason why.

Mr. Traynor: My friend has called this thing a political organization. He is liable to be a member when he studies it. I am a director of it. They are talking about this Colonel Depression but no one is doing anything about it. They ought to just kill that motion. I wanted to indefinitely postpone it; it is a crime to Andover's intelligence to debate the subject.

(Article carried)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2200.00 for the purpose of installing a 6" water main in way referred to in Article 7, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Public Works, on petition of Daniel A. Hartigan and others.

Mr. Dwyer: We have a lot of interest on this thing. Quite a few . . .

Moderator: Can you get to the point on this article?

Mr. Dwyer: Yes, sir, and the four following on water works. I will begin by giving a few statistics from the last town report. I note that a certain set in this hall are usually found cleaning up their little hammers and their big hammers, getting ready to knock . . .

(Question called for)

Moderator: The gentleman is entitled to speak if he keeps to the point, but he is rambling in a way that I do not intend to permit.

Mr. Dwuer (continuing): The credit for 1931 in the water works department was bills receivable $47,322; estimated interest on those receipts for six months $934. That makes total receipts of $48,256 in one year. The net maintenance $30,000, interest $1090. Abatements $616, leaving a net balance of $16,550 in the water department, net, showing a 3.2 percent net profit in the present valuation of the water works plant. The amount of money received by the water department . . .

Mr. O'Connell: I rise to point of order, as the speaker is wandering from the specific subject.

Mr. Dwyer: I am not wandering at all.

Mr. O'Connell: We will not finish this meeting for a week.

(Question called for)

Mr. Dwyer: I am giving you statistics from your own town report. I want to show you that you can afford to do it.

Moderator: The gentleman is trying to explain that there is a large cash surplus in the water department, money for which may be voted for purposes of extension.

Mr. McIntyre: We know of none.

Thaxter Eaton: I do not know of any.

Mr. Dwyer: In forty years you have taken over the counter more than enough to twice pay for what you are asking for this year. Water works have paid four percent net profit. Therefore I cannot see how any man can go to work and turn down a proposition where you are going to give labor to the man that needs it.

(Article voted)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2000.00 for the purpose of installing a domestic sewer in way referred to in Article 8, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Public Works, on petition of Daniel A. Hartigan and others.

(Voted upon motion of Roy Hardy.)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the recommendations of the State Department of Public Works relating to the placing of a semi actuated installation of traffic signals at or near the junction of North Main and Union Streets, and vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed $1125.00 to be used to install traffic lights, providing the State Department of Public Works will contribute a like amount, on petition of the Board of Selectmen.

Thomas F. Hendricks: There is a bill still before the Massachusetts Legislature and it has not been decided whether the State will pay all that cost.

Frank Hardy: That bill has no chance of going through. In order that you need not take my word for it I will read you a letter which was handed to me by Mr. Lyman, chairman of the State Department of Public Works.

(Letter read, George M. Squires asked that one paragraph left out be read. This Mr. Hardy did, stating it did not reflect to the credit of Rep. Thomas Lane. When he finished, Mr. Squires thanked him. Article passed.)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to take by right of Eminent Domain for the purpose of creating more sanitary conditions for the protection of the water supply of the Town, the following described parcels of land, being two in number and known as Parcel I and Parcel II, hereinafter described in detail, and generally known as part of the old Lowell and Andover Railroad location, a plan describing said parcels being on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and the said parcels being more particularly described according to said plan as follows:

Two certain parcels of land situated in that part of the Town of Andover known as the West Parish.

And to appropriate the sum of Five hundred and fifty ($550.) dollars as damages and the expenses incidental to the taking. Upon petition of the Board of Public Works.

Mr. McIntyre: I move that this article be adopted.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to sell the following school properties, to wit: The Richardson School with land and buildings, and the Bailey District School with land and buildings, for such sum or sums as the Board of Selectmen may deem best, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to give a good and sufficient quitclaim deed in the name of the Town for the aforesaid lands and buildings; or to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make temporary repairs of both buildings or to put both of said buildings in good condition. Upon petition of the Board of Selectmen.

Moderator: Let me call your attention to the fact that this should be taken up as two motions. Under this article you may sell the Richardson school and not the Bailey school or you may sell the Bailey school and not the Richardson school, or you may sell neither and vote to recondition them. I think the thing to decide is whether the town desires to authorize the sale of one or both.

Mr. Chambers: I move that the town do not sell either one of these.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to be expended for the purpose of making temporary repairs of the Richardson and the Bailey District School buildings, or to appropriate the sum of $4000.00 for the purpose of putting both of said school buildings in good condition, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. Upon petition of the Board of Selectmen.

Moderator: Now we will look to the other part of the motion.

Mr. Chambers: I move that whoever has the authority, whether the School committee or the Board of Selectmen, go ahead and put the schools in condition and spend the sum of $50 called for in Article 13.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of $3000.00 for the purpose of cutting down the street grade on Carmel road from Walnut avenue to the Town Infirmary and establish a new grade adjusted to the grade of the adjoining properties and for the building of a sidewalk in said street, including the expense of lowering the water mains therein on petition of Ralph L. Draper and others.

Mr. O'Connell: I move that this be laid on the table, and that the article be indefinitely postponed.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $6550.00 for the purpose of the construction of a new road in Ferndale avenue and for constructing a drainage wystem in said street and for curbing said street on petition of Haywood G. Whiteway and others.

Mr. Kidd: That is twice I have had to sat down and couldn't get up.

Move to indefinitely postpone article.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the director of accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation for an annual audit of the town's accounts in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws on the petition of the Board of Selectmen.

Frank Hardy: I move that we petition the director of accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation for an annual audit.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($650.00) for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for Andover Post No. 2128, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, such quarters to be under the direction and control said Post and subject to such regulations as t Board of Selectmen may adopt, all in accordan

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"BIG EARS" Comedy
Screenings: 2:25-7:40

MONDAY and TUESDAY—MAR. 21-22
"The Secret Witness" Wm. Collier & Zasu Pitts
Screenings: 2:35-7:45
"Two Kinds of Women" Miriam Hopkins
Screenings: 3:40-6:35-9:10
NEWS Screenings: 2:15-6:15-8:50
"Laughing With Medbury"
Screenings 2:25-6:25-9:00

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY—MAR. 23-24
"Husband's Holiday" CLIVE BROOKS
Screenings: 3:50-6:35-9:15
"HEAVEN ON EARTH" Lew Ayres
Screenings: 2:35-7:40
NEWS Screenings: 2:15-6:15-8:55
VAGABOND MELODIES
Screenings: 2:25-6:25-9:05

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, MAR. 25-26
"PHANTOM OF PARIS" John Gilbert
Screenings: 2:45-6:45-9:20
UNIVERSITY of CALIFORNIA VS. TULANE
Screenings: 3:55-7:55
"JULIUS SIZZER" Comedy
Screenings: 2:25-6:25-9:00
NEWS Screenings: 2:15-6:15-8:50

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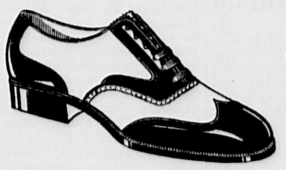

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Article 6, Asking New Street in Center, Passed After Verbal Fireworks

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with Chapter 40, Section 9, of the General Laws, on petition of John M. Erving and others.

Mr. Chambers: I move that this be adopted.

Mr. O'Connell: There is a recommendation by the Finance committee that this sum not exceed $300. Is this the amount you recommend?

Mr. Chambers: I recommend it as it reads. Not a cent less.

Mr. O'Connell: I move an amendment that the sum recommended by the Finance committee be adopted.

(Amendment seconded. Voted to accept amendment.)

John M. Erving: In connection with the appropriation for this article, I might say that the sum of $300 would not obtain for Andover Post 2128, Veterans of Foreign Wars, a lease in the property in which they now hold quarters. The matter has been discussed with the landlord as well as with the Finance committee, and I don't know where they get the idea of the $300. Apparently this action was based on rumor that quarters could be obtained for $300, and if the motion goes through for $300 the Andover Post will not be allowed to remain in the quarters they are in now. We are prepared with a lease in accordance with the State Statutes which calls for an annual rental of $600. I move that the sum of $600 be appropriated for the purpose outlined in this article.

Moderator: The original motion was to appropriate $650 and the amendment was to reduce the sum to $300. The amendment was carried, and the thing before you now is the adoption of the amended motion for $300 and not $600. Now if you want to vote that down you can do so.

Mr. Traynor: Is this the Legion or the Veterans of Foreign Wars. God bless their souls, but let us find out how many of them are concerned.

James Dugan: We have 75 out of 130 who are eligible. We have been active since June. I would like to state that the law here is very specific. A city or town may lease for a post of the American Legion or for the Veterans of Foreign Wars buildings or parts of buildings for a period not exceeding five years, which shall be under the control of the post, with the approval of the selectmen of the town, and for said purposes. (General Laws)

This is the law which was read in connection with the consideration of Article 17.

CHAPTER 40, GENERAL LAWS

Section 9. A city or town may for the purpose of providing a suitable headquarters for a post of the American Legion, lease for a period not exceeding five years a building or part of a building which shall be under the direction and control of such post, subject to regulations made in cities by the mayor with the approval of the council, and in towns by vote of the town, and for this purpose a town with a valuation of less than five million dollars may annually appropriate not more than one thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of five million dollars but not more than twenty million dollars may annually appropriate not more than fifteen hundred dollars; a town with a valuation of twenty million dollars but not more than seventy-five million dollars may annually appropriate not more than two thousand dollars . . .

Moderator: I don't think there is any question about the legality of the thing.

Mr. Dugan: The law says suitable quarters. The question must be raised whether you can find suitable quarters for $300.

Mr. O'Connell: Perhaps you could for this particular year and due to the fact that the taxpayers are so heavily burdened. (Cries and shouts of booh, booh.) We are willing that the Veterans of Foreign Wars go in with the Legion this year because they have space, and we would like to be spared if possible this entire expenditure. I do not intend to be boohed down by any individual. If anyone wants to ask me anything I shall answer him. We have voted to the Legion a total of two hundred million dollars, and we have coming next year one of the greatest lobbies—they are going to ask us to pay back their compensation which is not due for forty years. I think it would be a very good idea if the gentlemen would withdraw the article this year and save us this money.

Mr. Squires: I would like to ask him a question. Are you or have you any right to belong to the American Legion or the Veterans of Foreign Wars?

Frank Hardy: To bring the matter before the meeting, I would say that $300 would not be sufficient to pay the rental for the quarters held by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Mr. Resnick has advised the board that he will take $40 a month, and if that is for ten months it will be $400. If it is for nine months it would be $40 less. I would make the amendment that the sum appropriated be $400, if that is satisfactory, because all we have to do under the Statute is to pay the rental. If you can get the rent for $40 a month, it certainly wouldn't be over $400. If we appropriated $600 or $650 it couldn't all be used. Of that, we could use probably $400.

Charles Sherry: I would suggest that they both be given the title to the school house in Shawsheen village and fight it out.

Mr. Dugan: I would say that Mr. O'Connell's motion was as silly a one as I have ever heard, and I would like to take this chance to ask him why the Ku Klux Klan and the Knights of Columbus cannot function in one building. The United States Government has saw fit to at least recognize a moral debt to the veterans and the State of Massachusetts has also saw fit to do the same. When the head of a socalled Taxpayers' association sits there voting away money, then when a sum of $600 comes up he takes his feet to protest it. I think it is a reflection on his patriotism.

Moderator: It might be well to ask for an intermission. The question before us is the question of adopting the amendment to the motion calling for an appropriation of $300. Mr. Hardy has made an amendment to that, that the sum be $400, and when you are ready to vote on it I am going to put that amendment to you.

Mr. O'Connell: Fellow voters of the town of Andover. It is real brave men who will stand up and oppose anything when somebody on the other side begins to wave the flag to put over their particular private proposition. So that you will see just how I stand on this and how the community stands I wish to make an amendment to the amendment that the matter be postponed until the next town meeting to allow the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars to get together and settle their troubles and then have one headquarters.

Matthew Burns: I feel for the surprise, that my friend John O'Connell, the head of the Taxpayers' association—. I am not for the Legion or the Veterans of Foreign Wars, I have friends in both. I find here that in 1930 his tax rate was—(Cries of "out of order" "out of order").

Joseph McCarthy: I am the adjutant of the Andover Post American Legion. As far as I know there is no quarrel between the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The two requirements for appropriations, one for the Veterans of Foreign Wars and one for the Legion, should be considered entirely as a separate matter. Ever since the town memorial committee over ten years ago, your town has seen fit to furnish us with quarters. This year, the selectmen and the finance board asked us to reduce our appropriation. We too, saw the landlord and his sum first named was $840. They asked us to accept $600 and that is what they are asking for today. In regard to the other appropriations, I said before, we have no quarrels. We are not for it; we are not against it. I think the article should be considered on its own merits and that any attempt to involve the two organizations is entirely unfair to both.

Moderator: The original proposal, with an amendment which was carried was that the sum of $300 be voted. The original motion was not voted down. There is now an amendment that the whole matter be laid over until the next town meeting and that is what I will put before you. If you don't like it, you can vote it down.

Mr. Dugan: I would like to make an amendment that the sum of $480 which Mr. Resnik and Mr. Hardy talked over, be put down.

Moderator: If the body of voters don't like the motion they can vote it down, and then when the slate is clean they can start again. The amendment first is the amendment by Mr. O'Connell that the whole matter be laid on the table for another year. If you don't like that you can vote it down.

(Voted down)

Moderator: The next question is the one proposed by Mr. Hardy. $400 instead of $300 or thereabouts.

Mr. Hardy: I would say to the gentleman that what I said was $480 but we were appropriating this for the fiscal year (to December) but $400 would be enough until December.

Mr. O'Connell: I move to second Mr. Hardy's motion.

(Motion carried—$400 voted.)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift from Andover Post No. 2128, Veterans of Foreign Wars of The United States a captured German Field Piece (105 m-m Howitzer and Carriage), said Trophy to be placed upon suitable foundations in the Town lot at the northerly side of Elm Square bounded by High Street, North Main Street, and land of Barnard Estate. Foundations and placing of Trophy, together with the necessary improvement of the lot incidental thereto, to be under the supervision of Andover Post No. 2128 in cooperation with the Board of Public Works and subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, on petition of John M. Erving and others.

Mr. Erving: Since the introduction of this article there has arisen a slight question as to the title of the lot upon which, according to the article, it is proposed to place the gun. I therefore, in view of the indeterminate status of that particular title, would like to make the following motion: "That the town accept as a gift from Andover Post 2128 Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, etc." and reading as the article goes on, "or if it is determined that the town has no title to the land mentioned, that it be placed in the public park bounded by Bartlet street, Chestnut street and Whittier street."

G. Edgar Folk: If for any reason this gun is to be accepted and placed in the little triangle in the center of our square, I want to oppose it. In order that you might not take the attitude that I might not be sufficiently patriotic, I would just like to say that I am a Spanish War veteran and that I was at the front, and I know something of what war happens to be, and I have come to the conclusion that it was all that Sherman said it was, that war is Hell. I am not of the opinion that we ought to take the place where we are accustomed to put our community Christmas tree which stands for peace and put up a cannon. It seems to me it would be better form were we to remove all the cannons and endeavor to teach our children something of the matters of peace. It doesn't seemt o me that it is the proper thing in this day to teach them to glorify war, and I am of the opinion that we ought not to accept this cannon and stick it up where we are accustomed to put our Christmas tree which stands for the element of peace, and I would suggest that if my comrades want to do something as a fitting memorial that they buy a live Christmas tree and put it up in that little triangle and not have us buy the necessary tree every year, or kill even a splendid tree in order to have our Christmas tree. I think the town should vote down this item.

Horace M. Poynter: The title of that land is vested in the town of Andover, by reason of the gift of Samuel Phillips, Jr., about 1790 or 1792 with the provision that it should not be built upon. That land must be kept clear of such an incumbrance, and I agree very heartily with the sentiments expressed that if we can get away from the idea that war is glorious we will be going forward, and besides a gun is a horribly ugly thing with which to decorate a place which should be and always has been beautiful.

Mr. Dugan: I was born here, and perhaps a hundred times a year I have walked into the Memorial Hall library in front of those two guns there, and they never gave me the impression to be warlike any more than Memorial Day or Armistice Day would. The gun might have an opposite effect. We hear a lot of talk of treaties and notes between one country and another, and we know what is happening in China. With a memorial of this sort, children will be taught the horrible cost of war in lives and money, and if that lesson was taught it would teach them that they would not want war. I don't know of anybody more against war than one who was at the front 18 continuous months and fought in five battles. I was that man. I saw actual fighting. I did not go overseas to a canteen. I believe the town should accept this gun. The town has no memorial, has nothing to show that it had any participation in any war, except for the two guns in front of the library. I hope that the town will look at this in the right light and accept this gun as other communities have.

Mr. Traynor: I hope I never hear this peace business again. How can they ask us to look ahead and be ready to go on the field of battle without a gun. Anything you can do to prepare for war is what you should do. There will be no peace. We must train our school children the way we trained their forefathers when we asked them to give their all.

Frank Hardy: I am not for or against it.

Mr. Traynor: Then what side are you on, Mr. Hardy?

Mr. Hardy: In regard to the title. I took this matter up with the town counsel and I have this letter which I will read to you.

Lawrence, Mass., March 2, 1914

Messrs. Barnard & Campion, trustees
Andover, Mass.

Gentlemen:

With reference to the triangular piece of land located next to the Barnard estate and at the junction of Main and High streets in Andover, Mass., we have the following to report, namely:

That Sarah Barker, of Andover, on June 13, 1794, made a deed to Hon. Samuel Phillips, and fifteen others, of a track of land containing five or six rods, more or less, which we think refers to said triangular piece of land. This deed conveys the land to said Phillips and others and to their heirs forever, but with limitations, namely, they are to hold it for the sole purpose of accommodating the public and "it shall lay as an open common and highway forever." See copy of deed sent you.

Now among the various grantees above referred to, was one Abiel Pearson, physician, who formerly owned the land where the Barnard homestead now is, and as grantee through whom the Barnard estate takes title, to our minds would be one of the owners of the fee or title in this land, subject, however, to the limited use of it on their part, as they evidently took it in a sense to hold for the benefit of the public and in no sense for their own private, individual benefit or use.

We have not examined the records of the Town of Andover to see whether the town ever purchased the fee in the land, but would be surprised to learn that they ever did because, after the deed from said Sarah Barker to Samuel Phillips, et als, it seems to us that it was unnecessary for the town to spend any money or to do anything to get title in the land, because the citizens of the town had the right of using the land as if it belonged to the town.

Now then, if the town never took a deed of this land, as a town, we cannot see how it has any title or interest in the land, unless at town meeting they have taken action with reference to the erection of bandstands or other structures, which would show that they claimed certain rights by prescription in the use of the land. This we could not say was done without an examination of the town records. If private citizens have erected any structure on the land without vote of the town, the act of those citizens in no sense could be construed as the act of the town, acting as a corporation.

Our construction of the above mentioned deed would be that the land conveyed by it should remain oepn forever and not only is the language that it shall "lay as an open common", but added after the words "open common" are the words "and highway". So, presumably, the intention was to throw this tract of land open to the public to be used as a highway and to be common to all citizens.

Now, if it was to be used as a common highway, we think it would be illegal for the town, acting as a corporation, to put a curbing around this land so as to prevent either pedestrians or travelers with horses and wagons or automobiles from passing over it. We understand that a drive, with a foot walk, has gone over this tract of land for many, many years and we think that the same is not, in any sense hostile to the language of the deed itself, for the deed itself had in mind that this common land should remain open for the passage of the public, whether on foot or in carriages or other vehicles.

We think there is good ground, therefore, for you to maintain to the town authorities that they have no right to enclose this tract of land either by fences or by curbing, and to insist that they allow the land to be open for the passage of the public at any place it sees fit.

But, although we think that you, probably, could maintain this position in court, there is a means by which the town could gain legal title to the land and make it into a park, surrounding the same by a fence or curbing, and that would be by the town acting by virtue of its rights to seize nay land for the purpose of a highway or park, paying the value of the land to the owners of the same, but the town, in order to seize this land for a park, of course, would have to do so in accordance with the law, which law is created by the statues, and which it is unnecessary for us to quote to you now.

In reply to the above statement, it might be said that the town erected a flag pole and bandstand and other structures on the property and therefore acquired prescriptive rights to the use of the property. We do not know when this was done or how long any erections were maintained, and hence cannot say whether they obtained rights by prescription, which are lasting forever. Of course, if citizens did this, rather than the town as a corporation, acting by vote at town meeting, it would not re-act for the benefit of the town as a corporation.

We think we have above covered the matter as well as we can in a letter, because there are so many things involved in this case that it is impossible to discuss each and every one without having our attention called specifically to the matter sought to be ascertained.

Very truly yours,
W. J. BRADLEY

Mr. Traynor: If you go back to your records you will find that Mr. Eames thrashed this out with the town, and you will find that this goes to the town and when the town gets done using it it goes back to the heirs. This has been straightened out. It is down there in Salem. It reverts back to the heirs when the town is done using it, and we are not done using it yet.

(Rising vote taken with 288 in favor and 123 against accepting the gun.)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town of Andover will vote to appropriate the sum of $30,000.00 for the purpose of widening and straightening Main Street from Chapel Avenue to the State line. A plan of the proposed construction will be presented to the voters at the Annual Town Meeting, on petition of William A. G. Kidd and others.

Mr. Kidd: I move this be indefinitely postponed.

(Indefinitely postponed)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $550.00 for the repair and conditioning of the Public Highway known as Topping Road. This appropriation to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Public Works, on petition of Emory Delaney and others.

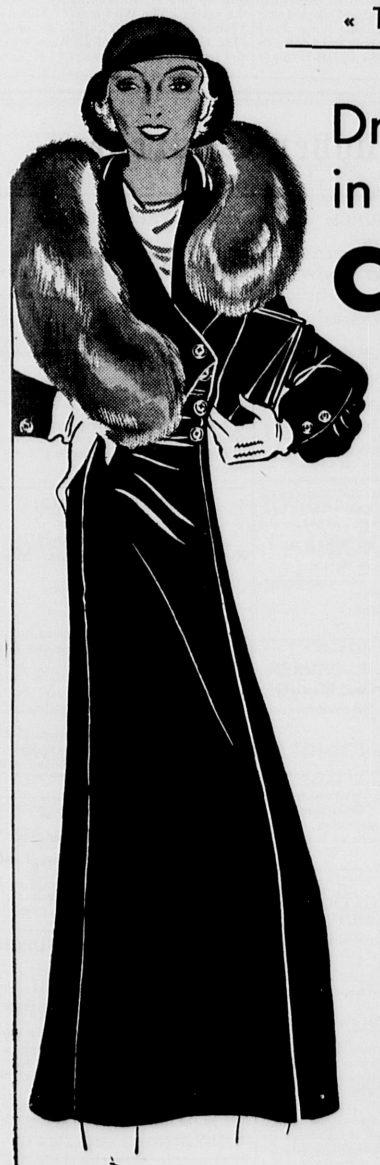
ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $650.00 for the repair and reconditioning of Juliette Street. This appropriation to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Public Works, on petition of Marguerite Comeau and others.

Frank Hardy: I don't believe that there are twenty citizens at this meeting who know the condition of those roads. I want you to know they are the worst roads in the town of Andover. They have water and sewer up there but they have no street, and I have been told recently that two of the times they had a fire up there in that district the neighbors had to go out and push the fire trucks where the houses were burning. Last week we had a bill come to the office to pay for a broken spring on a truck. A lady told me that after a recent rain storm she attempted to get out to Corbett street and she lost her rubber and shoe in the mud. Now this may sound funny but you wouldn't think it funny

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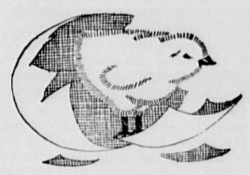
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Keep the State School Out

The attempt to foist a school for feeble-minded on Andover has become a determined drive on the part of the state since the town made known its attitude against the state school at town meeting Monday and since the committee of citizens has interviewed Governor Ely and Dr. George M. Kline, commissioner of mental diseases at the State House, who has his heart set on bringing the institution to Andover.

Of course, we all agree that such schools do a great deal of good and that they should be continued. But there are so many other places in Essex county where such a school could be built without injuring a town or hurting a great educational center, that it is impossible to understand the point of view of the state in even considering such a beautiful place as Andover.

The state wants to build a school here to house morons, feeble-minded, and idiots, not children in chronological age, but children in mental age, not only boys and girls, but also men and women. By so doing it wants to deliberately ruin the future chances of expansion and growth in Andover by making the town less desirable to live in. By its attitude, the state, too, wants to hurt the names of Phillips and Abbot academies, two schools which have attracted international fame to the town of Andover for more than a century and which have made the name of Andover synonymous with the very best in education. It wants to make Andover synonymous, instead, with a state institution for the feeble-minded. No matter how well the people here will know that the state institution has no connection with the academies, people from all over the country, who think of Andover in terms of quality education and who contribute much to the prosperity and prestige of the town, will consider the erection of such an institution as most undesirable. Who wants to send a boy or girl to a private school, or take up residence in a town, knowing hundreds of feeble-minded people are a short distance away?

From an economic point of view, the building of a state school here is as undesirable as from the psychological point of view. Not only will the school contribute nothing to the town in taxes, and nothing to the merchants in the way of business, but it will also detract from the town in a way that will hurt. People who now look on Andover as a most desirable residential town will shun it, many who live here will move away, and the result will be the decadence of Andover. One has but to look at Danvers, where a state institution exists, with its tax rate of $18.80, the second highest tax rate in the state, with its empty houses and lack of business, to see what will happen to Andover should the school be built here. The state has thrown down the gauntlet; it is for the people now to take up the fight and keep the state school away from Andover.

Town Meeting

There are good many towns and cities which envy Andover today. The action of the voters at town meeting Monday in cutting expenditures so that a tax rate of $21.50 will be in effect for 1932, without at the same time cutting the salaries of town employees was as remarkable as it was novel. Were salaries cut, the tax rate would probably have been under $20.00, but even as the situation stands now, Andover has one of the lowest tax rates for 1932 in Massachusetts. Investigation would probably show that no other town of this size in the state has a tax rate as low as $21.50.

On top of this action comes the information that it is entirely probable that the assessors will reduce valuations some $500,000 this year. This step will also reduce the burden on the Andover taxpayer. It is hoped that this story will become a fact when the assessors begin their work for this year.

The town has much for which to thank Alfred L. Ripley. As moderator pro tem, Mr. Ripley, a most able parliamentarian, proved himself in complete control of the meeting at every moment. His ability to expedite matters, his skill in keeping the main issues before the minds of the voters at all times, his talent in preventing side issues and bickerings from confusing the points under discussion, has earned him a warm spot in the hearts of the citizens and has convinced everyone that Mr. Ripley was the best man to replace Dr. Alfred E. Stearns who was unable to moderate.

Communications

From a Former Resident

To the Editor of the Townsman:

It may seem impertinent for one no longer resident either in Andover or New England to think to discuss Andover affairs. But the town of my birthplace and my boyhood is still dear to me and I read the Townsman each week with intense interest.

I see in your columns much discussion of the proposal to place in Andover a state home for feeble minded children. Most assume such a home would be a burden upon the town. I am not sure. My residence at present is in a community that often reminds me of Andover. It is an educational and residential town, although without any industries matching those in the Andover river valleys. On our main street, and much closer to the center of town than I think your school would be, stands a large county home for unfortunate children. I do not know that that home adds ten dollars to our material wealth but in other ways it is a genuine asset. Through seeking to serve the children there many of our young people are greatly benefited. The presence of this home reminds us of certain aspects of human life that, however unpleasant, it is good for us to face. The home also brings to our community for its administration men and women who are valuable in our common life. It does increase the wealth of our hearts.

But even if the home in Andover should prove a burden to be carried. I wonder if it ought not to be regarded in a broader spirit than I have met in most of what you have printed. If it is to be in any sense a burden it is natural for Andover citizens to say, "Not here." But it has got to go somewhere. What if all Massachusetts communities took that attitude? It is argued that Andover is a superior community. If that is true and if the home is a burden, cannot Andover carry it better than less favored communities? If Andover is so superior how does it justify itself in wishing a burden upon less favored towns? I wonder.

J.

Two Abbot Teachers Resign

(Continued from page 1)

Abbot academy: that even if she is not in active service, she may feel that she is always welcome in the school to which she has given such long-continued and loving devotion: that the girls of the years to come may learn through her to love and honor those students and teachers of past years who have made the academy what it is, and may have their love and loyalty kindled by contact with her fine and devoted spirit.

MARCUS MORTON
President
E. BARTON CHAPIN
Clerk

The Trustees of Abbot Academy in session at their regular meeting at Boston, March 4, 1932, unanimously adopted the following minute which was thereupon spread upon the records of the academy. It was further duly and unanimously voted that a proven copy of this expression of the feeling of the trustees be given to Miss Mason.

The Trustees of Abbot Academy feel that in accepting the resignation of Miss Nellie M. Mason as teacher of Science, the school is losing from its staff one who has contributed immeasurably to the strength and vigor of its scholastic standards, and to the quality of its life.

Miss Mason has been a member of the faculty since 1892, with one year of absence. She found the scientific work of the school limited in its scope and hampered by inadequate equipment. With infinite patience and industry, she made the best of the resources at command, and steadily raised the quality of the work of the Science department. Her patience was rewarded when Abbot hall was reconstructed with adequate facilities for laboratory work.

Through these years of unprecedented advance in scientific thought and discovery, Miss Mason has kept abreast of progress in theory and in teaching-method. She has met the exacting demands of college preparation along scientific lines, and has sent to college well-prepared pupils who have been a credit to their preparatory school, and who have gratefully acknowledged their debt to an inspiring teacher.

In the general administration of the school, her counsel has been invaluable. Her conscientiousness and fine sense of justice and her ability to take the whole situation into account have caused her judgment to be sought on all matters of importance, and her sympathy and helpful loyalty have been a strong support for all those who have worked with her.

The Trustees gratefully acknowledge the high quality of service that Miss Mason has given the school through the years of her connection with it. They are confident that the contribution that she has made to its standards and ideals and to the integrity of its purpose is of abiding value.

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November Club Group Has Meeting

A group of seven modern American painters, four of whom could be classed as realists and the remaining three adherents of no specific school, formed the subjects of study and discussion for the last regular meeting Tuesday of the November club art department at the Addison Gallery of American Art.

A department member, in charge of the afternoon's study and discussion group, spoke briefly but interestingly on the highlights in the artists' lives and the nature of the artistic contributions of the seven following artists.

Robert Henri, an illustrator of types, was the founder of the realist school to which belonged Walt Kuhn, a painter of bizarre types such as circus performers; George Bellows, lithographer and painter of themes of conflict and activity; and George Luks, popular painter of varied types of human beings.

The three painters Gari Melchers, a versatile painter with a credo of truth and clearness, Frank W. Benson, a painter of beautiful water colors and Kenneth Hayes Miller, painter whose works possess rotundity and massiveness, can not be classified under any particular school.

Before the members of the group were pointed out additional paintings in the gallery by the assistant curator, a few words were said in regard to modern art. According to the speaker, modern art is not, contrary to current opinion, dead but alive. This is evident by the wide variety and number of paintings, which should not be judged too harshly, as American art is still an adolescent.

The serious problem before art lovers is the presence of much cultural poverty or lack of cultural taste among modern artists whose works either tell nothing or deceive the buyer.

The Art department is holding an afternoon bridge for the benefit of the Art Scholarship fund at the November club the 28th. This, with perhaps the inclusion of a trip, will bring the activities of the department for the season to a close.

Mrs. O. W. Allen entertained members of the club at the Harriet Beecher Stowe house following the meeting.

Celebrate 61st Wedding Day

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Greenwood of Chester street, Ballardvale, celebrated their sixty-first wedding anniversary at their home on Monday. The numerous relatives and friends of the couple presented them with a beautiful electric lamp and the Ladies' Aid members of the Congregational church sent a beautiful bouquet of flowers in honor of the occasion. Many congratulation cards in honor of such a great event were received from relatives and friends in other parts of the country.

Mrs. Greenwood, who is seventy-eight years of age was born in Scotland and Mr. Greenwood was born in England eighty-two years ago, both coming to this country when small children.

The couple were married in Gilbertville and came to Ballardvale forty years ago where they have made many friends and witnessed many changes in the growth of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood are members of the Congregational church and as both are in good health they were able to greet the members of the church and associates who called on them during the day.

Miss Etta Greenwood who is an active worker in church affairs is a daughter and resides with her parents on Chester street. They also have two sons, Albert E., of Salem, N. H. and William P. who also makes his home with his parents in Ballardvale.

Deaths

CARTER

Sunday, March 13, Edward C. Carter, Jr., died in New York City at the age of twenty-two. In addition to his parents, Edward Clark and Alice Draper Carter of New York he is survived by his twin brother, William, who is studying in Geneva, a younger brother John, and younger sister Ruth.

He was graduated from Phillips academy in 1926 and Harvard University in 1931. While at Harvard he was on both the soccer and rugby teams. He was a member of the Harvard Dramatic club, the Liberal and the Iroquois clubs.

Services were held at the Riverside church in New York on Tuesday afternoon. Burial takes place this afternoon in Spring Grove cemetery.

Marriage Intentions

Henri Angus Hedin, 29 Main street and Christine MacDonald, 54 Prospect street, Cambridge.

Births

A daughter, Barbara Norma, to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roy Parsons, 9 Dufton road, on March 10, at home.

A son, Alex Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex J. Kimball, School street, on March 10, at home.

Marriages

William M. White, 27 Stevens street, Andover, and Jean N. Wood, 52 High street, Andover, on March 11, by Rev. F. A. Wilson, in Andover.

James Hutton Williams, 4 Sterling street, Andover, and Annette Dube, 84 Irene street, Lawrence, on March 16, by Rev. F. A. Wilson, in Andover.

Deaths

In Andover, March 16, 1932, at his home on Porter road, John A. Towle. Services private. No flowers.

B.P.W. Will Take Bids on Contracts

At a meeting of the Board of Public Works Tuesday night it was decided to keep the same wage scale for laborers and to pay the same salaries as in 1931. William D. McIntyre was reappointed chairman of the board, and Frank A. Buttrick was chosen secretary. George H. Winslow, who served as secretary last year, resigned early this year, and his place on the board was taken by Harry Playdon, duly elected. It was voted to have the secretary write Mr. Winslow a letter of appreciation for his faithful services rendered the board.

Charles T. Gilliard was reappointed superintendent, Edward R. Lawson, assistant superintendent, and Mrs. Laura B. Juhlmann, clerk.

It was voted to assume the full expense of the telephone of the engineer at the pumping station, this being an emergency measure. It was also voted that for all expenditures exceeding $25 bids should be called for and submitted to the board for action. The board voted to pay 50 cents for the listing in the telephone directories of the telephones of Mr. Gilliard, Mr. Lawson and James Goodwin. These are private telephones, but will also be listed under the board of public works, since this will be more convenient for the public in emergency calls.

All members except Walter I. Morse were present. Mr. Morse is ill.

Andover Guild

Basketball games and scores give variety to the regular weekly Guild schedule.

Friday the All Stars team of the Guild was defeated by the Salem street church team of Lawrence by a score of 13 to 20. Monday evening, the St. Augustine's team of Lawrence was the victor in a game with the Ballardvale team with the resulting score of 28 to 8 in favor of the Lawrence team.

This evening the young people of the Guild and their friends will enjoy a St. Patrick's dance. An orchestra will furnish the music. Refreshments will be served. The small fee of twenty-five cents will be charged. Tomorrow evening the Guild girls will play the St. Francis team of Lawrence in Lawrence and Mr. Bissett will hold a practice for the All Stars team at the Guild.

Monday there will be a Free church double header with the A and B teams of the Free church playing the Calvary Baptist church team of Lawrence and the Grace church team of Lawrence respectively. The games which begin at 7.30 will be followed by dancing.

The 25th the Giants will play the Luke club of Everett. The 28th the Guild girls' team will play the Lowell Girls' club team in Lowell and the next day the Lawrence Y. W. H. A. at the Guild. April 3, the Guild girls' team will play the Holy Trinity team of Lawrence and on the 5th Lowell girls' team at the Guild.

The Junior Dramatic club which is being coached by David Lowe is presenting the Easter play, "All in the King's Highway", the Saturday before Easter at 10.00 o'clock.

Let's Be Urbane

With town election once more o'er,
And all its hurly, burly roar,
Let's put our shoulder to the wheel
A better spirit, let's reveal.

Another year we start anew,
And may its faults be very few.
Come, let us work, yes every son
To make this year a happy one.

Let's all be honest, let's be true
In everything we plan to do,
With town affairs, play fair the game,
But, more than all, let's be urbane.

R. V. Deyermond

Girls' Friendly Has Admission Service

After the evening prayer service on Sunday night, during which Gounod's "Gallia" was sung by Christ church choir, the Girls' Friendly society took part in their admission service. The new members and senior members-to-be came forward to the altar rail and were presented by Mrs. W. E. Howe, branch secretary. The four "spirits" of the G. F. S. with halos and filmy blue robes had entered the chancel with candles lighted and after they had given their messages lighted the candle of the Spirit of the Girls' Friendly society. The new members received their lights from the latter and in turn took them into the body of the church to light the candles of the congregation, while the electric lights in the church were gradually darkened. It made an impressive effect. The altar with its candles and flowers was a beautiful vision.

The Spirit of Steadfastness was represented by Bertha Hilton, the Spirit of Purity by Daisy Stevens, the Spirit of Friendliness by Minnie Valentine, the Spirit of Religion by Helen Saunders, the Spirit of the Girls' Friendly society by Emma Stevens. The Rev. C. W. Henry spoke in his address on "Leadership".

Inter-Church Rally Draws Big Crowd

A morning and afternoon of friendliness, fellowship and spiritual and cultural stimulus were enjoyed by the many women who attended the thirteenth annual inter-church missionary rally at the South church yesterday.

A conference of the representatives of the eight Andover churches attending the rally occupied the first part of the morning session. The following speakers delivered interesting and important messages:

Shawsheen church—"For the Coming Generation", Mrs. Harold P. Hathaway.

Ballardvale Congregational church—"Forward Together", Mrs. Marion R. Phelps.

Christ church—"Our Preaching Week", Mrs. J. Oram Sheppard.

Free church—"Textbook Possibilities", Mrs. Harry A. Ramsdell.

Ballardvale Methodist church — "Our Church Activities", Mrs. George Moody.

South church—"Utilizing Human Interest", Mrs. Frederick B. Noss.

Baptist church—"Opening Doors", Mrs. Henry S. Jenkins.

West church—"Yearly Progress", Mrs. John L. Noyes.

Miss Jean Hume, the Abbot academy representative, who has lived in India spoke on "An American Girl in India". Phillips academy was represented by Rev. A. Graham Baldwin of the Phillips faculty who took as his topic "An Experiment in Religious Education". Dr. J. J. Daly, Andover selectman, spoke on "Home Opportunities", and urged generous cooperation between the various welfare agencies in town for civic and social betterment. Rev. Robert W. Coe of the Leyden church of Brookline was vigorous in his plea for world friendship and peace in his address on "The Quest for Peace".

The singing of the hymn "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" by Mrs. Willet B. Eccles preceded the inspirational half-hour devotional service led by Mrs. Otis Cary of Auburndale who has been a missionary in Japan for many years.

One of the social and enjoyable features on the day's program was the basket lunch for which hot coffee was served by the South church hostesses. The luncheon guests were Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Noss, Rev. and Mrs. Marion Phelps, Rev. and Mrs. Lorenz Hanson, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Coe, the Misses Mabel Badger and Dorothy Cushing of Boston, Mrs. Philip Ripley, Miss Mary Bell, Mrs. John V. Holt and Miss C. Madeliene Hewes.

The afternoon session opened with the singing of a hymn. Miss Mary Bell representing the Women's Union of the South church brought a few words of greeting to those present at the meeting and expressed the hope that the meetings would continue, as they had in the past, to be rich in spiritual content and understanding. After the offering "The Plains of Peace" was sung by Mrs. Gordon B. Elliot.

Mrs. G. Edgar Folk, the presiding officer, spoke a few appropriate words before introducing the first speaker of the afternoon, Miss Dobra Pelasheva of Bulgaria, who is a student at present at the Boston University College of Religious Education. Miss Pelasheva, colorfully garbed in Bulgarian native dress, made a sincere plea for a better understanding of this small Balkan country which should be thought of more in the terms of its tiny villages with their primitive modes of living.

"Fundamental Issues in China" was the informative subject of Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, associate secretary in the Foreign Department of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, who recently returned from China.

Re-echoing Miss Pelasheva's expressed hope that the nations of the world will join at some time in a symphony of understanding and peace, Dr. Fairfield described the present discordant note in the world symphony-to-be, the Sino-Japanese crisis. The bone of contention, Manchuria, is coveted by Japan for its raw materials, its food supply and source of income. China, the real owner, looks upon the territory as an outlet for its evergrowing and enormous population.

The all-day meeting came to a close with the singing of a hymn by the gathering and the offering of a prayer and benediction by the pastor of the South church, Rev. Frederick Noss.

The presiding officer was Mrs. G. Edgar Folk and the general chairman of arrangements Mrs. Burton S. Flagg. The members of the committee, who helped to make the rally a success were as follows:

Reception—Mrs. Arthur W. Bassett, chairman; Mrs. John Arnold, Miss Harriet W. Carter, Mrs. Louis Huntress, Mrs. Harold Leitch, Mrs. Wilfred Lord and Mrs. A. J. Zink.

Ushers—Mrs. Eugene Weeks, chairman; Mrs. Alfred W. Hurlburt, Mrs. Frank L. Brigham, Mrs. Maude Farlow, Mrs. Burton S. Flagg, Mrs. Burchard E. Horne and Mrs. Wilfred Lord.

Noontime hospitality—Miss Madeleine Hewes, chairman; Miss Bertha Bailey, Miss Alice Bell, Miss Mary Bell, Mrs. Joseph H. Blunt, Mrs. Ralph E. Hadley, Mrs. John V. Holt, Mrs. Philip F. Ripley.

Luncheon—Mrs. Richard Abbott, chairman; Mrs. Ada Brown, Mrs. Percy Crosby, Mrs. Joseph H. Higginson, Mrs. Harvey Turner and Mrs. Alvin J. Zink.

Decoration—Mrs. Chester Holland, Mrs. George M. R. Holmes, chairman; Mrs. Henry Dix and Mrs. Byron W. Hall.

Music—Mrs. Frank L. Brigham.

Transportation—Mrs. P. B. Whittemore, chairman; Mrs. Joseph H. Blunt, Mrs. Henry E. Dix, Mrs. Burton S. Flagg.

Publicity—Miss Jane B. Carpenter.

Song Recital Held Friday

Marjorie Faunce Stevens, soprano and Mervin E. Stevens, baritone and reader with Miss Marion Louise Abbott as their accompanist, charmed their guests, about seventy in number, with a song recital last Friday evening at the home of Henry C. Sanborn, superintendent of schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens who are members of the Punchard high school faculty offered the following varied program, which was most appreciatively received by their audience.

Duet—Passage Birds' Farewell — Eagan Hildach
Mr. and Mrs. Stevens

Depuis le Jour from "Louise" — Gustave Charpentier
Soprano

Two songs from Sakkingen" — Scheffel's "Trompeter von — Georg Henshel
Baritone

The Island — Sergei Rachmaninoff
At Night — Sergei Rachmaninoff
Soprano

Vittoria, mio core! — Gian Giacomo Carissimi (1604 (?)-1674)

The Linden Tree — Franz Shubert
Baritone

Reading—The Congo — Vachel Lindsay
Mr. Stevens

'Tis Spring on the Eastern Hills — Benjamin Whelpley

The Fairy Pipers — A. Herbert Brewer
Soprano

Border Ballad — Frederick H. Cowen

At Tankerton Inn — Howard Fisher
Baritone

The Wood Pigeon — Liza Lehmann
The Yellowhammer — Liza Lehmann
The Cuckoo — Liza Lehmann

Wayfarer's Night Song — Easthope Martin
Soprano

New Exhibit at Addison Gallery

An exhibition by members of the Lewis Comfort Tiffany Foundation, showing the work of young American artists, is at the Addison gallery on the hill now and will remain until April 28.

The purpose of the foundation and something about the exhibit is contained in the following, taken from the folder put out by the gallery:

The most difficult period in the career of many artists is the time immediately following their graduation from art school. Young artists, lacking financial resources, find themselves cast adrift with little opportunity to exhibit their work to the public and without a place to turn for advice or help. In these cases, the fight for the necessities of life must too often interfere with creative work.

During the past twelve years, some promising young artists have found a partial solution of this problem in the hospitality of the Lewis Comfort Tiffany Foundation at Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island. Each summer students chosen from the various art schools, and also on the recommendations of private teachers, are invited to use the beautiful Tiffany estate as their studio and headquarters. In addition to the well equipped buildings for members of the Foundation, Mr. Tiffany's library, his art collections, and the entire eight hundred acre estate are available for use. The only restriction imposed is that members work at their profession during their visit; those whose efforts justify it may be asked to prolong their stay. All the advantages which a beautiful environment can offer are available for those fortunate enough to be chosen.

Some of the artists represented in the present exhibition have been members of the Foundation for several seasons; others have just completed their first summer. A few of the names are already familiar to visitors to the Addison gallery. Many more will undoubtedly be better known in years to come. An exhibition of this type may be regarded not only as an indication of present achievement, but as a stimulating promise of future progress. The Addison gallery wishes to extend its thanks to Stanley Lothrop, director of the Tiffany Foundation, for his help in making selections for this exhibition, and to Walter Grant and Gordon Grant, for their cooperation in making the necessary arrangements.

Abbot Academy

The Rev. F. A. Wilson, an old friend of Abbot academy and father of Miss Mira Wilson, alumna trustee, conducted the service on Sunday evening, March 13.

"The Cradle Song" by G. Martinez Sierra was presented, under the management of Mrs. Bertha Morgan Gray, by the Senior class on Tuesday evening, March 15, in Davis hall. The play, a difficult one, was capably acted—the large cast keeping within character with remarkable fidelity, and acting with unusual understanding. The leading roles were played with sympathy and skill. Mrs. Gray deserves great credit for her casting and directing, and Mr. Scannell and Mr. Hammer share the honors for the excellent scenery.

The Lenten service was held as usual on Wednesday.

The Compinsky Trio will be heard at 3.00 o'clock in Davis hall on Saturday afternoon, March 19.

On Sunday evening—Palm Sunday—March 20, Stabat Mater will be sung by the entire school at the vesper service in Davis hall.

The spring recess begins on Thursday, March 24, and ends on April 6.

Andover Girl Enters Training

Miss Norma B. Matheson, formerly of Ballardvale road, Andover, and sister of Mrs. E. R. Lamb of the same address has entered the Training School for Attendant Nurses conducted by the Household Nursing association at 222 Newbury street, Boston.

Miss Matheson will spend the first six weeks of her training at the Household Nursing association center at 222 Newbury street, Boston, and will then have a year's training in the wards of one of the nine affiliated hospitals. This course will then be supplemented by six months' nursing under supervision, to help the attendant nurse through the first difficult months of private duty. Her diploma will be granted upon the satisfactory completion of this final six months.

The Andover Townsman

Twenty-Five Years Ago This Week

Tuesday evening, March 19, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kydd, 3 Red Spring road, was the scene of a very pleasing event to celebrate the 21st birthday of their daughter, Helen Kydd.

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A social gathering of "Red Lichties" was held at the home of Mrs. William Cairnie of Red Spring road on Saturday evening. A large and varied musical program was rendered by the company during the evening. Mr. and Mrs. John Monro were presented with a handsome china tea set by Edward Ritchie, on behalf of their friends, as a token of their high esteem. Refreshments were served and a real good time was enjoyed. Among those present were: William Benson, William Anderson, Henry Spink, William Sterling, Jr., Henry Fairweather, Edward Anderson, Robert Cairnie, Claude Nichol, Oliver Hutton, John Hutton, Richard Hutton, David Milne, Francis McFarland, Violet Anderson, Catherine Carney, Mrs. Charles Donaldson, Mrs. Robert Cairnie, Mrs. James Falconer, Jessie Wood, Bella Gorrie, Jessie Matthews, Mary D. Armitt, Jane Colter, Maggie Colter, Bella Cairnie, Maggie Ferguson.

Marriage: In Columbus, Georgia, Thursday, March 14, 1907, George A. Marland and Miss Martha B. Greene.

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Last Saturday evening, March 16, the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hammond, 6 Whittier court, was the scene of a very pleasing event to celebrate the 19th birthday of their son, Russell C. Hammond.

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The most desperate fire that the local fire department has had to fight in many years occurred about half past seven on Thursday morning at the plant of the Tyer Rubber company. The fire was situated in a building in the rear of the main factory where naphtha and cement are stored and just how it started is not known either by those employed or by the owners. An alarm was sounded from box 52.

Superintendent Andrew McTernen was one of the foremost fighters and it was by his good work that much of the naphtha was removed. Other employees of the factory worked hard and deserve much credit for it.

The loss is estimated at $25 on the building and $500 on the contents. The naphtha was all stored in airtight metal tanks and was therefore not much injured.

Stowe School Notes

Because of town meeting there was no school Monday afternoon, March 14.—**Jane Rice**

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Report cards bearing pupil's records for the past eight weeks were distributed Wednesday.—**Jane Rice**

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Mr. Thayer of the Thayer-McNeil company in Boston gave a talk illustrated with motion pictures on the care of the foot and posture. As an additional attraction movies of Canadian winter sports and wild animals were shown by Mr. Thayer. The program was thoroughly enjoyed.—**Jane Rice**

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A volunteer library committee consisting of James Gillespie, Gertrude Walker, Irene Stott, Dorothy Boddy, Rudolph Bume, Fred Morrison, Constance Turnbull, went down to the Junior library before the vacation to get information on how to organize a school library. Friday afternoon they catalogued all the books of fiction.—**Francis Ryan**

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Earle Townsend returned to school March 7 after an accident.—**Dorothy Bacon**

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Pauline Colizzi who is now a member of 7-C comes from Lawrence and is now living on Salem street.—**Dorothy Bacon**

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Cornelius Wood of seventh grade is now enjoying himself in California—**Dorothy Bacon**

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Winifred Froburg, recently of Wakefield, now a pupil in our seventh grade, is living on South Main street.—**Dorothy Bacon**

Born: at Memorial hospital, Worcester, on March 16, to Mr. and Mrs. David D. Mercer (Sally Bartlett), a son.

April 7, at eight o'clock, the A. P. C. sorority of the South church will present in the vestry "The Wild Rose of Millersville". Tickets for the affair can be obtained from Mrs. George Collins of 17 Avon street and also from the other members.

Andover Churches

CHRIST CHURCH
Central Street
Episcopal. Organized 1835
Rev. C. W. Henry, Rector

8.00. Holy Communion.
9.30. Church School.
10.45. Morning prayer and sermon.
7.00. Y.P.F.
7.30. Evening prayer: Illustrated talk, "Events of Holy Week".
4.00 Monday. Service with address.
4.00 Monday. Choir: boys.
7.45 Monday. Girls Friendly Society.
4.00 Tuesday. Service with address.
7.15 Tuesday. Boy Scouts.
4.00 Wednesday. Service with address.
7.30 Wednesday. Choir: boys and adults.
7.30 Wednesday. Sherrill Club.
7.30 a.m. Maundy Thursday. Holy Communion.
2.30 Maundy Thursday. Woman's Guild.
7.45 Maundy Thursday. Holy Communion and Address.
10.30 Good Friday. Service with address.
4.00 Good Friday. Children's Service.
7.45 Good Friday. Service with address: Rev. Charles L. Taylor, Jr., Cambridge.
4.00 Saturday. Holy Baptism.

BALLARDVALE M. E. CHURCH
Rev. Everett R. Barrows, Minister

10.30. Morning worship. Special music by vested choir.
11.40. Sunday School.
4.00. Junior Epworth League.
6.00. Epworth League.
7.00. Evening Service. Special speaker, Prof. George Foxcroft Cell of Boston University. Subject: "Liquor, Liberty and Local Self Government."
8.00 Wednesday. Ladies' Aid Society.
8.00 Friday. Good Friday Service.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, BALLARDVALE
Rev. Marion R. Phelps
Telephone, Andover 1007-R

10.30. Palm Sunday. Sermon: "The Triumphal Entry". A service of public worship to which all are invited.
11.40. Church School. Worship Service and lesson period.
4.00. Junior Christian Endeavor Meeting.
6.00. Senior Christian Endeavor Meeting.
7.00. Evening Service, Methodist Church. Speaker: Dr. George Cell, on "Prohibition".
7.45 Monday. Men's Club meeting. Walter Curtis will give a moving picture on the subject: "From Pigs to Paint." All men of the church are most cordially invited to attend and join the club.
2.30 Wednesday. Meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society.

PHILLIPS ACADEMY CHAPEL
"On the Hill"

Morning service. Rev. A. Graham Baldwin of Phillips Academy.
Vespers. Dr. Charles H. Forbes.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Essex Street
Organized 1832
Rev. Lorentz I. Hansen, Pastor

10.30. Palm Sunday service and music. The pastor speaks to the children on "The Festival of Palms"; Sermon title "The Plowman". A service of worship.
12.00. Sunday School to which all are welcome.
6.30. Young People's Service. Miss Sarah Wiss in charge.
Tuesday. The Young People will have a business and social meeting at the home of the Misses Bacon, 100 Highland road.
7.45 Wednesday. Holy Week Devotional Service. Various items of interest for Easter will be arranged.
7.30 Thursday. Choir rehearsal with Mrs. L. I. Hansen in charge.

FREE CHURCH
Elm Street
Congregational. Organized 1846
Rev. Alfred C. Church, Pastor

10.30. Palm Sunday sermon by the pastor.
12.00. Church School.
3.30. Junior Christian Endeavor.
6.30. Senior Christian Endeavor.
6.30 Monday. The Church School Worker's Council supper and business meeting.
7.00 Tuesday. Boy Scouts, Troop No. 2.
8.00 Wednesday. Meeting of Free Church Players.
3.00 Thursday. Devotional service of Woman's Alliance. Leader, Mrs. Herbert Mank of Lawrence.
7.45 Thursday. Easter Communion and reception of members.

SOUTH CHURCH
Central Street
Congregational. Organized 1711
Rev. Frederick B. Noss, Minister

10.45. Morning Worship.
10.45. Church Kindergarten.
12.05. Church School.
6.30. Christian Endeavor.
7.45 Monday. Prudential Committee.
7.45 Tuesday. Dr. Pfatteicher and quintet; a service made up entirely of music.
7.30 Wednesday. Examination of candidates for membership.
2.30 Thursday. Sewing meeting, Women's Union.
7.45 Thursday. Annual Memorial and Communion Service. Reception of new members.
7.30 Friday. Union Good Friday service in Christ Church.

WEST CHURCH
Congregational. Organized 1826
Rev. Newman Matthews, Pastor

10.30. Public worship with sermon by the pastor. "Great New Testament Words: 5. Faith."
12.00. Sunday School and Forum Class.

NORTH PARISH CHURCH
North Andover Centre
Unitarian. Organized 1645
Rev. S. C. Beane, Minister

10.30. Rev. S. C. Beane will preach a Palm Sunday Sermon. Singing by the vested choir.
11.45. Church School.
7.30. Y.P.R.U., the second Sunday of each month.
10.10. An automobile leaves the Andover Bookstore for the Unitarian Church at North Andover All are welcome.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
Essex Street
Roman Catholic. Organized 1850
Rev. Charles A. Branton, Pastor

Sunday Masses: 6.30, 8.30, 10.30 a.m.
Holy Day Masses: 5.30, 7.00, 8.30 a.m.
Sunday evening: 7.45. Rosary, Sermon, Benediction.
Baptisms: Sunday 3.00 p.m.
First Friday. Masses: 5.30, 7.30 a.m. Communion 7.00 a.m.
First Sunday of Month Communion Day for Sacred Heart Sodality.
Third Sunday of Month: Children's Communion Day.
Fourth Sunday of Month: B. V. M. Sodality Communion Day.
Devotions in honor of St. Therese every Friday evening, 7.45.
Confessions: Saturday afternoons and evenings, and afternoons and evenings before Holy Days of obligation.

SHAWSHEEN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Balmoral Hall
(Non-sectarian)

9.30. Sunday School in Balmoral Hall.
7.30. Lenten Service: Preacher, Rev. L. I. Hanson.



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BALLARDVALE

Mrs. Amos Loomer of Andover street attended the Flower Show on Saturday.

Mrs. William Caffrey of Tewksbury street was the guest of relatives in Lowell on Sunday.

Mrs. Edwin Brown spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. William Hatch of Melrose.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brown of Andover street attended the Flower Show in Boston on Saturday afternoon.

Earl Moody of Boston was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Moody of Marland street.

Stillman Lawrence of Gloucester spent the week-end at the home of his uncle, George Lawrence of Chester street.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frazier of Lynn spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Knight of Center street.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Barrows of Quincy were the guests on Sunday of Rev. and Mrs. Everett Barrows of Tewksbury street.

A public whist party will be held on the evening of Wednesday, April 13. Some very fine favors will be awarded the high scorers.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Clemons of Wakefield were the guests on Sunday of Mr. Clemons' sister, Miss Annie Clemons of Marland street.

Lenten services were held on Friday evening in the St. Joseph's church. Month's mind mass was held on Monday morning for the late Miss Nora Scott and Patrick Scott.

At the Junior Christian Endeavor meeting held on Sunday evening in the Congregational church vestry Miss Ethel Brierly was the leader. Miss Esther Stein was in charge of the Bible reading.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church held an all-day meeting on Wednesday in the vestry. A covered dish luncheon was served at twelve o'clock. Many articles were made for the annual fair.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church met on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. George Brown of Andover street. Plans were made for the coming play and sewing completed for the annual fair.

The members of the Jolly Cooks, 4-H club, are selling chocolate bars to raise money to help finance the project of sending one of the members to the Essex County camp at Boxford for a week this summer.

A rehearsal was held on Tuesday evening at the home of John Anderson of Ballardvale road for the musicale to be present at "Get-Together Night" to be held by the Ballardvale Parent-Teacher association some time in April.

The Bradlee Mothers' club will hold a public whist party on the evening of March 29 at the home of Mrs. Lothian of Woburn street. Mrs. Frank Robertson and Mrs. Lothian are in charge. Some fine favors have been secured for the high scorers.

An April Fool's party will be held on Friday evening, April 1, at the home of Mrs. Prudence Brown of Center street. This will be in the form of Guest Night and a box party. Some very unique features are being planned by the committee in charge.

Miss Margaret Mitchell was the leader of the Senior Christian Endeavor of the Congregational church on Sunday evening at six o'clock. Following the business session the group walked to Andover where they attended the candle lighting service held in Christ church.

On Monday evening, March 21, the Men's club of the Congregational church will hold a meeting. At this time Walter Curtis of the National Lead company will furnish the entertainment, consisting of a motion picture entitled "From Pigs to Paint". This picture shows the processes through which the lead goes from mining to the finished product.

The girls of the Epworth League of the Methodist church met on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Everett Barrows and made candy which will be placed on sale. The young ladies held a very successful bakery sale on Saturday afternoon in Stark's market. The proceeds were used to purchase linoleum for the kitchen floor of the parsonage.

The members of the T. W. club met on Tuesday evening, March 8, at the home of Mrs. Fred Fyler of Gladstone street, Everett. A birthday party in honor of Mrs. Fyler's birthday was held and each guest present brought a pretty gift to the hostess. A delicious chicken supper was served after which games were played. Those attending were: Mrs. Nelson Townsend, Mrs. Harold Evans, Mrs. Louis Kibbee, Mrs. Frances Benson, Mrs. Robert Ryan, Mrs. Peter Chaisson, Mrs. Fred Fyler and Miss Dora Harkins.

Railroad patrons and the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hussey who have been residents here for the past two and one-half years are sorry to learn that they are about to leave us and will return to Rochester, N. H., their former home town. Mr. Hussey will commence his new duties as station agent at Hayes, North Rochester in a few weeks. In October 1929, Mr. Hussey was appointed as local station agent and has been connected with the Boston and Maine railroad for the past forty-six years. He is the third oldest man listed on the Agent's roster and has acted as agent in Exeter, Rochester and Ballardvale. For ten years he was cashier of the freight department in Portsmouth and for several years acted as telegrapher at different points. Mr. and Mrs. Hussey have made many friends here as both have a pleasing personality and the well wishes of the town are extended to them on the starting of their new duties.

On Friday evening, March 11, the members of the Thimble club observed "Auld Lang Syne" night at the home of Mrs. James Moss of Andover street. At a previous meeting songs were assigned to each member and they were to wear a costume appropriate for the song and use same in some way during the evening to furnish the entertainment. Much hilarity prevailed as the different members entered attired in unique costumes and Solomon Levi from South Lawrence made the hit of the evening. The following program was carried out: "When You and I Were Young, Maggie", Mrs. George Mitchell and Mrs. Lamert Wood; "Coming Thru the Rye", Mrs. James Moss; "Swanee River", Mrs. Frank Cramton; "Solomon Levi", Mrs. Lamert Wood; "Juanita", Mrs. Edwin Brown; "Spanish Cavalier", Mrs. William Cooper; "Wearing of the Green", Mrs. William Matthews; "The Old Oaken Bucket" Mrs. Prudence Brown. Mrs. William Clemons and Mrs. Maxwell Lyons were unable to be present. Exhibition dances were then given accompanied on the piano by Mrs. William Cooper. Refreshments of chop suey, hot rolls, coffee and filled cookies were then served by the hostess. Those in attendance: Mrs. George Mitchell, Mrs. James Moss, Mrs. Frank Cramton, Mrs. Lamert Wood, Mrs. William Cooper, Mrs. William Matthews, Mrs. Prudence Brown and Mrs. Edwin Brown.

BALLARDVALE

Mr. and Mrs. William Greene of River street spent Sunday in Boston.

Members of the Senior Christian Endeavor attended the rally held at the Free church on Monday evening.

Miss Margaret Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell of Tewksbury street is an honor student at Punchard.

Mrs. Howell Shepard and children, John and Judy of Dascombe road are spending several weeks at West Palm Beach, Florida.

Mrs. John Farquhar of Lawrence, a sister of Mrs. Alfred Greenwood of Chester street and well known here is suffering with a broken hip.

The Ballardvale fire department put out a brush fire on Saturday morning in the rear of the residence owned by Miss Mary Brown of Andover street.

Miss Helen Louise Moody, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. George Moody of Marland street sang on Tuesday morning over station WHDH from 11.15 to 11.30 o'clock.

The Ballardvale United basketball team was defeated in the game with St. Augustine's team held on Monday evening at the Andover Guild by the score of 20 to 8.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will present a two-act play in the near future entitled "Listen Ladies". A rehearsal was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Keating of Marland street.

Professor George Foxcroft Cell of Boston University will be the speaker at the Sunday evening service at the Methodist church on March 20, at seven o'clock. His subject will be "Liquor and Local Self Government". This meeting is a united one being conducted by both the Methodist and Congregational churches and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The Ways and Means committee of the Ballardvale Parent-Teacher association will hold a public whist party on Tuesday evening, March 22, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George G. Brown of Andover street. Some fine favors will be awarded the high scorers and a delightful evening is assured all those attending. The proceeds will be used for educational purposes.

Mrs. S. C. Walker was in charge of the eight girls who attended the Home Beautiful club meeting on Monday afternoon held in the Bradlee school. A business session was held after which plain sewing and pin cushions were worked on. Those attending: Margaret Kidd, Eleanor Ness, Irene Ness, June Laurie, Christine Laurie, Margaret Laurie and Elizabeth Laurie.

Officer George Dane has officially notified parents that boys of the town must not use rifles. Recently a valuable dog owned by Henry Platt of Center street was shot in the leg by some unknown person. After several days of treatment a rifle bullet came from the wound and Officer Dane warns all persons found with a rifle in their possession that they will be taken away from them and destroyed if they are found with them.

Rev. Everett Barrows and Albert Coates, members of the Ballardvale United basketball team were chosen to play on the All-Star team that met the Grace church team in a game at the Y. M. C. A. at Lawrence on Thursday evening. The Ballardvale United basketball team finished in the recent series of games at the top of the list in Division 2 of the "B" league. Rev. Barrows and Coates starred as players throughout the season.

The Men's Brotherhood of the Methodist church met in the vestry on Friday evening, March 11, with a large attendance. Routine business was transacted after which a social hour was spent playing indoor baseball and other games after which community singing was enjoyed with William Greene at the piano. Refreshments of ham sandwiches, coffee and cake were served by the hospitality committee for this meeting. The next get-together will be held on the evening of March 25.

The T. W. club held a whist party on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Nelson Townsend, River street. Five tables were used. The prize winners were: Door prize, Charles Evans; most no scores, Charles Partridge; consolations, Mrs. Frances Benson and Gardner Townsend. Handkerchiefs, Nelson Townsend; plant stand, Dora Harkins; night gown, E. W. Brown; face cloths, Margaret Benson; cracker jar, Walter Davis; table cloth, Fred Harkins; handkerchiefs, Charles Evans; towels, Eva Kibbee; collar and cuffs, Arthur Kibbee; apron, James Randall; apples, Harold Evans; salt and pepper set, Mrs. Harold Evans; dish, Mrs. Louis Kibbee; handkerchief case, Mrs. Robert Ryan; memorandum pad, George Newcomb. Following the play refreshments were served.

ABBOTT VILLAGE

John Anderson has moved with his family from Pearson street to Brechin terrace.

George Craig has moved with his family from Red Spring road to Stevens street.

A daughter was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Austin Hastings of Shawsheen road.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Frazer and daughter of Lynn spent Sunday at the home of Albert Sharpe of Red Spring road.

William White of Stevens street was presented with a beautiful electric lamp from his fellow workers in the Tyer Rubber shop last Friday. Miss Helen Black made the presentation.

WEST PARISH

Everett Belisle has returned from a business trip to Vermont.

Arthur Henderson of River road has accepted a position with a firm of florists in Manchester, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Carter of Hanover, N. H., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son at the Mary Oliver hospital in Hanover.

Tonight at the West Parish vestry there will be a St. Patrick's supper and social. The program is in charge of Mrs. Anna Paddock. After the supper there will be a program.

At the regular meeting of the Nature club of the North school last week the members were entertained with an illustrated lecture on "Lumbering" which was given by Horace Shute of the County Extension service.

Andover Grange will meet on Tuesday evening for a regular meeting. It will be "Saunders' Night" and is in charge of the community service committee. "William Saunders, first master of the National Grange was one of the greatest of American landscape gardeners, an intense lover of trees, flowers, birds and all outdoor life, and in no other way can the Grange of today more fittingly honor his memory than by setting apart one night each year to consider genuine beautification undertakings" quoted from National Master Louis J. Taber.

Literary program as follows:
Community singing
Reading—selected poem
Musical specialty
Talk—"Beautifying Home Grounds"
Speaker from Extension service
Vocal solo—Trees
Mrs. Everett Boutwell
Paper—"Facts about the First Master of National Grange"
Mrs. E. W. Boutwell, chairman of community service committee
Musical specialty
Discussion—"What one thing more than all others would improve the appearance of our community"
Song—America the Beautiful

Seth Parker Night at Free Church

Seth Parker's Sunday Evening Meeting, taken from the radio presentation heard over WEAF by special arrangement with Samuel French of New York was produced before a crowded parish house at the Free church on Wednesday evening, March 16, at 7.45. The cast of characters follows: Seth, Robert V. Deyermond; Ma, Mrs. Dana W. Clark; Laith, Lewis S. Paine; Cephus, Thomas B. Gorrie; Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Harry A. Ramsdell; Lizzy, Miss Bertha Cuthill; Jane, Mrs. Margaret Fairweather; John, Robert Cargill; captain, David M. May. The work of all the characters was splendid and the audience thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

Christ Church Notes

Rev. Charles L. Taylor, Jr., of the Episcopal Theological school in Cambridge is to be the preacher at the Good Friday evening service in Christ church.

There will be the service on Saturday, Eastern Even, at four o'clock for baptism.

The choir sang Gounod's "Gallia" very acceptably on Sunday last when Mrs. Alfred Harris was the soloist. It was sung during evening prayer before the Girls' Friendly admission service was held.

The Sherrill club orchestra is making excellent progress. At the last rehearsal two new members were added. The meeting on April 6 will be a special gathering at which Lawrence Shields of Phillips academy will be the speaker.

The Woman's Guild is sponsoring the Bicentennial supper tomorrow, Saturday, night in the parish house from 5.30 to 7.00 o'clock. This annual Lenten supper has become a part of the Guild's regular program.

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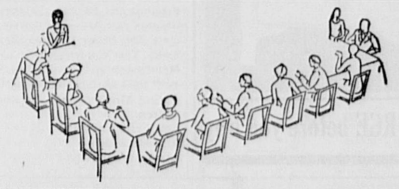
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Gift of V. F. W. Field Piece Provokes Bitter War-Peace Controversy

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if it happened to you. She lost her rubber first and then while recovering the rubber she lost her shoe and was obliged to hunt around in the mud for them. There isn't enough asked for to give them the relief they require, and with your permission I move that articles 20 and 21 be laid on the table to be taken up under new construction where they will be given more attention.

(Voted to lay articles 20 and 21 on the table.)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the water main from the present dead end at the Disbrow Farm on Chandler Road to the property of Daniel Fitzpatrick on Chandler Road, and appropriate the sum of $15,780.00, to care for this work, on petition of Daniel Fitzpatrick and others.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the water main from the present dead end at the Henderson Farm on River Road to the residence of Leon Hardy on River Road, and appropriate the sum of $7580.00 to care for this work, on petition of Leon Hardy and others.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the water main along Beacon Street from the corner of Chandler Road and Beacon Street to a point opposite the property of Louis Cyr, and appropriate the sum of $7250.00 therefor, on petition of Peter P. Blanchette and others.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the water main from the corner of Stinson Road and Holt Road along Holt Road to the corner of Orchard Street and Holt Road, and appropriate the sum of $7375.00 therefor, on petition of Arthur N. Comeau and others.

Mr. O'Connell: I move that articles 22, 23, 24 and 25 be considered as one article. Article 22 calls for $15,780, article 23 calls for $7,580 for water extension, article 24 calls for $7,250 for water extension, and article 25 calls for $7,375. This makes a total appropriation of about $38,000.

Moderator: The motion is to consider the four articles as one.

(Voted to consider the four articles as one.)

Mr. Traynor: I move that these articles be referred to the Board of Public Works for further consideration and report.

Herbert Lewis: I am opposed to this. I should like to find out when we will get this consideration.

Mr. Traynor: The Board of Public Works is continually in session so you can go before that Board and get better satisfaction from them. That is the reason I made that motion. To give that wonderful Board something to do.

Mr. Lewis: I still believe I have the floor.

Mr. Traynor: Don't take it away with you.

Mr. Lewis: I don't see how the Board of Public Works can take care of this without an adequate appropriation. Therefore, I oppose this motion. There are a lot of people there who need water. I would like to make an amendment that the sum of $10,000 be expended by the Board of Public Works on these items.

Moderator: The original motion has been made to first refer the four articles to the Board of Public Works, and if you don't like that you can vote it down. Then you can vote something else if you care to.

Mr. Squires: What is the total amount of the articles from 22 to 25? Read off the total amount and have them vote on certain amounts. Add up the totals they are asking for in the warrant from 22 to 25 inclusive. Read off the totals in one sum and call for a vote to see if the public will vote on a certain amount of money.

Moderator: If the gentleman wants to make another motion when this is settled, he can do so.

Mr. Squires: There are four articles, but put in one sum pertaining to the water department. I wish it to be put to a vote.

Moderator: The four articles are to be considered together. At the meeting here the motion was made that the matter be referred to the Board of Public Works for consideration and report.

Mr. Squires: I make a motion that the four sums be put to a vote.

Moderator: I can't do that.

(Cries of question, question)

Mr. Kidd: I move that the sum of $20,000 be appropriated for this purpose.

Moderator: For what purpose?

Mr. Kidd: What we are talking on.

Moderator: You are getting terribly confused here. All new motions must be introduced in writing which the voters can understand. I am prepared tp put the motion that this be put before the Board of Public Works for consideration.

(Voted that articles 22 through 25 be referred to the Board of Public Works.)

ARTICLE 3. To determine what sums of money shall be appropriated for Aiding Mothers with Dependent Children, American Legion, Andover Post, No. 8, Armistice Day, Assessor's Survey, Board of Health, Brush Fires, Damages to Persons and Property, Elections and Registration, Essex Tuberculosis Hospital, Fire Department, Highway Maintenance and New Construction, Infirmary, Interest, Insurance, Memorial Day, Memorial Hall Library, Municipal Buildings, Old Age assistance, Parks and Playgrounds, Police, Pomps Pond, Printing, Public Dump, Public Welfare, Retirement of Bonds, Schools, Sewers, Snow Removal and Sanding, Soldier's Relief, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Spring Grove Cemetery, State Aid, Street Lighting, Town Officers, Town Scales, Tree Warden and Moth Suppression, Water Maintenance and Construction, Wire Inspector and other town charges and expenses.

Aiding Mothers with Dependent Children	$6000
American Legion	600
Armistice Day	75
Assessors' Survey	3000

Mr. Traynor: I move we lay that on the table until next year. Assessors' survey, is that what they call it? I wonder if you people remember what happened to you before on this assessors' survey. Have you forgotten about that?

Matthew Burns: I would like to ask the town clerk to read the contract entered into between the Board of Assessors and Morse and Dickenson.

Frank Hardy: There is no such contract.

Matthew Burns: Then who entered into a verbal agreement as to how long a time this would take, and the cost of it plus 15 percent? Who in the hall can answer this, and how long this is going to take?

Mr. Traynor: The town of Andover voted that way.

Matthew Burns: We find that there have been a few streets revalued in the past six years. You know what happened to you, or to a great many of you. Some of you it has passed by. To my way of understanding this replacement revaluation, and I have facts and figures from towns of this size, it will take ten years and I want to know how long this will take. If I am wrong in my figures and ideas I will apologize to my friend, Mr. Hardy, but I think it is the most drastic thing ever known in the State of Massachusetts. If he can take a minute and explain this to us, and tell us about the airplane pictures they plan to take, I am going to give him that minute.

Mr. Dwyer: Taxpayers and fellow citizens: I will ask Mr. Moderator, if I can find out from our chairman how many index cards per dwelling he has on file.

Frank Hardy: Approximately 1800.

Mr. Dwyer: How many buildings remain to be indexed?

Frank Hardy: The exact number I cannot say, but in valuation it means that 75 percent to 80 percent of the valuation of the town has been affected.

Mr. Dwyer: My impression was that only the business and residential section was to be assessed and that should be completed in six years. This survey has now cost the taxpayer $18,400, an average of over $110 per dwelling. This is an extremely high price for a piece of cardboard. They have had some maps to assist them. They now know how to get the data about a barn and garage, but if they don't it is a pretty costly expenditure. Somebody was paid for this, at least my tax bill shows that somebody was paid. According to the statistics 268 dwellings in Andover were affected, leaving 400 to be card indexed. Is it fair to assume that any man of fair intelligence should be able to measure the remaining 400 dwellings. Let him go to any contractor in Andover and he will tell him very quickly what the replacement value of that property would be. You don't have to go to Haverhill to get it, you can have it done here in Andover.

(Cries of question)

The result in cubic feet is put on a card for the assessors to look at and then they assess the property from the card. Why should we appropriate another $3000 to complete this? We have assessors and if they can't go out and measure five dwellings a day, there must be something wrong.

(Gavel. Cries of question)

Moderator: Motion made to have the article indefinitely postponed is before the house.

Frank Hardy: I could talk on this a long time but I think you wouldn't want to hear it. I merely want to go down on record as saying that after this thing has been straightened out the town of Andover will look back on this as one of the most constructive pieces of work that has been done.

Matthew Burns: It seems strange that this great scientific system was brought into being without you people ever being consulted about it. The assessors have no contract, no agreement. If they have an agreement, it is not in the town hall, but he wants you to wait three years, then ten years. I told you six years ago to throw these fellows out of town, and I told you it would cost you $30,000 and you said Matty Burns is crazy. Who is crazy now? I have waited for an intelligent explanation, I haven't got it and you haven't got it. He shows you how you will erect a monument for him in years to come. Now you have that explanation and deep down in your hearts you know how that explanation fits, because he had no business to enter into it. Entering into a one-man contract without your consent or consideration. Now let him pick his teeth with that one.

Frank Hardy: The last remark makes me think of a two-foot boiler with a four-foot whistle.

Mr. Traynor: Mr. Moderator, I am going to be easy on you this time. If you are following those two men I hope you will lead us back again, because we don't know where we are going with them.

(Voted to appropriate $3,000.)

Mr. Dugan: Pardon me, but I have noticed a board up there on the platform today, and whenever I have seen a board like that before I have seen somebody drawing cartoons on it. I think myself it is quite a farce, and then they talk about a flag. I think that is the red flag of danger and it is so silly, that I make a motion it be removed.

(Cries of "Take it down" "Throw it out")

Moderator: The motion is before you that this board here should be removed.

Mr. Traynor: People of Andover, that board is there to tell you where you are going, and you never knew before. It is there for the purpose of showing you how much money you are throwing away. It is not a nuisance. It is to tell you how much per thousand you are voting away.

(Voted to have the board remain.)

Board of Health	$3925
Brush Fires	1000
Damages to Persons and Property	500
Elections and Registrations	2300

Frank Hardy: I would ask that this amount be changed to $2400 as there have been other expenses since this item was made up, and there may be other things, such as a recount and other things which may come up.

Mr. Traynor: Don't go too fast. Mr. Hardy has made a motion which we have not passed. There is another thing I would like to point out. We should have intelligent men down there at the polls in precinct three. I want it understood that we don't want our people paying these fellows to insult and abuse us. We are paying them and they should treat us right.

(Voted $2400.)

Essex County Tuberculosis hospital	$5912.91
Fire Department	27500.00

Mr. Squires: I would like to make a little discussion on that before it is taken to a vote. Citizens, taxpayers, and rentpayers of Andover, we all know when we use a little good judgment that any cut in any appropriation means that it takes its effect on somebody in some place. Some of us feel it and some of us don't, but the majority of the town does. A cut in an appropriation means something. There has been a cut in figures of $4126 in the fire department appropriation. That is going to affect somebody in some place. To be frank about it, and laying my cards face up on the table, which are all aces, it means the abolishment of the Ballardvale fire station which will result in throwing seven men out of the little work they have been getting. It also results in increasing their insurance rates on their homes. It means that the abolishment of the Ballardvale fire station will result in the central fire station having to go down there to a fire a little too late to do any good. As an illustration, in moving that fire department away from your community in Ballardvale, it means this much. If you will follow me closely you will read between the lines. A short time ago the alarm was sounded to answer a fire at a little camp up in West Andover by the Lakeside Filling Station. This was probably all that some man had in the world. In answer to that alarm it took the central fire apparatus to come from Andover square, just 29 1-2 minutes. How much was saved? They arrived in time to save the foundation.

Frank Hardy: There is no truth in his remarks. He is all wrong. This cut in appropriation does not mean doing away with the Ballardvale fire station.

Mr. Squires: I will now complete my remarks. It has been shown on the town books and I have obtained these figures from the town treasurer, that it costs $4122 per year to operate the Ballardvale fire station. What does that mean? There has been presented to you a cut in the fire department appropriation of $4126. What does it mean? They are not coming out with their cards and telling you what they are going to do. I don't care for myself, I don't live in Ballardvale. I live in West Andover where they should take the Bailey school and convert it into a fire station. We have thrashed it out before. We want more protection for the money we are paying.

Moderator: The Finance committee has been over this carefully. The Fire department has been over it carefully. They certainly can explain to the meeting just what this means. The gentleman doesn't know altogether what he is talking about.

James Mosher: As that question was being discussed, the chief of the fire department was directly in back of me. I turned and asked him what it meant, and if it meant the abolishment of the Ballardvale fire station. He said that it absolutely did not. The decrease means that they have sufficient hose to cover them this year, and the operating expenses will not be as much as last year. Therefore, they sought to have the expenditure reduced.

Mr. Traynor: If the people take stock of this they will see we are referring back to our old way of living. We have to get down to common sense and take the decorations off these departments.

Mr. Eaton: I feel I should explain this. $2126 was to pay call firemen for 1930, so that the actual decrease is only about $2000.

(Voted $27500.)

Highway Department	$50000

Mr. O'Connell: I now want to call your attention to the items which Mr. Hardy suggested we postpone: the construction on Juliette street and Topping road for which a small sum has been asked. To give that amount of money would only mean a top dressing of those streets, and it would be a waste of that money. The taxpayers have curtailed today in a way they felt they should. I think we can afford now to be a little generous. It would be unfair not to take care of these people and take care of them properly. We could do this, as a result of your changing your procedure here and cutting out some unnecessary special articles. It is only right that we should vote them the proper amount to fix those streets and fix them right. I would ask that the sum of $8600 be voted for semi-permanent construction on Topping road and Juliette street, and for the installation of a sewer and water on Ferndale street, but not the construction of a road on Ferndale street, this extra sum of $8600 to be added to the $50,000 budget, would give these people a street as good as Florence street or Wolcott avenue.

Moderator: This means the extra sum of $8600 for construction on Topping road and Juliette street and for the installation of water and sewer on Ferndale avenue.

Mr. O'Connell: I might add that this will give an amount of pick and shovel work.

(Voted $58,600.)

Infirmary	$ 7900
Interest	20000

Mr. Eaton: I would make this amount $190,00 for interest. Interestr ates have decreased somewhat and I think $19,000 will be sufficient.

(Voted $19,000.)

Insurance	$6206

Walter Disbrow: I demand what happened to the Assessors' Survey. I think it was laid on the table. I think Mr. Traynor made that motion.

Memorial Day	$ 850
Memorial Hall Library	8000
Municipal Buildings	4000
Old Age Assistance	10000

Mr. Traynor: This appropriation is for the old age assistance. It is for those over seventy or more. You have three men up there who are supposed to be the board that takes care of the old age assistance, and you take abuse from them if you come to them for this assistance. They go back into your history 75 years ago to find out if you thought there was going to be an old age pension when you got to be 75. This is absurd when the thing was started only two years ago, and no man knows what is going to happen by the time he is 75. I know of a particular case and the man lived on Pearson street and they said he abused his money. How did he know that would happen to him when he was 75? How did he know there would be a pension, he was only a baby. It is a shame for those public officials to abuse any man and to ask him what he has done with his money.

(Voted $10,000.)

Parks and Playgrounds	$ 4000
Police	25750

Frank Hardy: I would move that $26,850 be appropriated. This would include the purchase of a new motorcycle not to exceed $375, the installation of pedestrian push buttons at Main and Chestnut streets and at North Main and Union streets, and vacations.

Mr. Traynor: I move an amendment that the sum which is now asked be cut directly in two. There is something serious in this. This police department belongs to us. Back in the good old days I'll guarantee we spent about $2500 on it. We have a police department with eleven men on it. There are some towns with thirteen or fourteen thousand population and they have an appropriation of $18,000, and we are asking for $27,000 to be abused and not used. True, we have good men on the police department, but from some of them all you get is abuse, and these men are appointed by the selectmen.

Moderator: I understand the amendment calls for $12,875. Is that the amount?

Mr. Traynor: That's what I make it. If it is a little less it will do no harm.

(Amendment lost. Voted $26,850.)

Pomps Pond	$990

William C. Crowley: I ask that this amount be increased to $1400. When we appoint our life guards we pay them the usual amount paid our young men for the three previous years. Last year it was advised that we appoint a matron to look after the young girls at the pond so we appointed a matron, Miss Donovan, and she kept the girls bathroom in perfect order. She kept after the children. When the first lot came in the afternoon, she saw that they were dressed and on their way home at 3.30, the next lot at four, and the next lot at five, so that by five o'clock the greater part of the children were at home. I want to publicly thank Jerome Cross for his extreme generosity in trucking those children back and forth. It was a God-send to them in those hot days. I daresay that it cost him ten dollars a day, $70 a week or $700 for the entire summer. We have been fortunate in having for our life guard John Robertson, a graduate of Phillips academy and a senior at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Traynor: There is no motion before the house.

Moderator: The statement made is incorrect. The motion was made for $1400.

Mr. Traynor: I understood that. I was merely trying to stop him and put his brakes on.

Moderator: Well, you make a pretty good brakeman. The question is before you in its amended form.

Mr. Crowley: I still have the floor.

Mr. Traynor: Well keep it then.

(Voted to appropriate $1400.)

Mr. Crowley: I demand to know what action has been taken.

Moderator: The motion has been carried for $1400.

Mr. Crowley: I didn't know it had been appropriated.

Mr. Traynor: You were probably still down at the pond swimming.

Printing	$ 600
Public Dump	500
Public Welfare	10500
Retirement of Bonds	39000
Schools	148350

Mrs. Clinton Stevens: I would like to inquire where the decrease is to be.

H. Gilbert Francke: If you will look on the page 12 of the school report you will find that explained. It gives the different items in our budget and shows this decrease.

Mrs. Stevens: Will this affect the payroll of the teachers?

Matthew Burns: Why is it that the teachers in the high school get paid when they are off sick and the teachers in the grade schools are penalized? I move that in the future citizens of Andover shall be given the preference in filling vacancies in the teaching staff of our schools.

Mr. Francke: We already follow that policy.

(Motion passed.)

Mr. Traynor: The School Board is elected by us but we can't tell them what to do. The taxpayers bring up sons and daughters for teachers, but we find that others get the preference. You know you have some of the best school teachers here, they are better than anywhere you can go and I see no reason why they should be abused. I don't want to have our teachers abused. I don't want them to have their pay decreased. I would like to see them increased if possible.

Mrs. Stevens: We don't want their pay decreased.

Mr. Traynor: Pardon me, lady, I thought you wanted a reduction in salaries.

(Voted $148,350.)

Sewer Department	$ 5600.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	12000.00
Soldiers' Relief	2500.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	500.00
Spring Grove Cemetery	7500.00
State Aid	500.00
Street Lighting	20760.84
Town Officers	19750.00

Frank Hardy: I would ask that this amount be changed as follows: $19,508.73 plus an unpaid bill of $416.27, making a total of $19,925.00 to be appropriated.

Matthew Burns: I would like to know what that bill is for.

Mr. Hardy: That bill is for legal services.

(Voted $19,925.00)

Town Scales	$ 125
Tree Warden	2500

Ralph T. Berry: The amount recommended by the Finance committee is inadequate to do the work necessary, and to maintain the present conditions in the tree department. I move that the appropriation be raised to $4500, a decrease of $500 from the appropriation last year.

(Voted $4500.)

Moth Suppression	$2500

Mr. Berry: I move that this amount be increased to $4500. This is necessary for the work to be done in this department. We will not be able to do the work on $2500.

Mr. Dwyer: I think that $2500 is enough and sufficient to spray the town.

(Cries of "Sit down")

I don't think the town should go into the business of spraying for private orchards. It is entirely wrong, and not common sense. When a person hires a man for private spraying, that work must be done, and if we allow our moth department to do this, how are these private persons going to earn a living? What right have we to go into that field?

Frank Hardy: In a letter from the State, they quote the law as being $5000 as the amount to be appropriated. I think that $4500 is reasonable.

Mr. Traynor: Is the town going to do private work? I think my brother over here is right. But don't get frightened—just use common sense.

Mr. Berry: I am not elected a moth superintendent.

(Voted $4500.)

Water Department	$27950
Construction and Service Pipe	9850
Wire Inspector	450

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote and determine that, forty (40) hours of labor shall constitute and shall be the maximum number of hours for one (1) week, and eight (8) hours per day the maximum number of hours for one (1) day for all labor performed in any department under the supervision and control of the Board of Public Works and the Moth and Tree departments.

PROVIDED—If an emergency arise, necessitating extra labor, after six o'clock p.m. overtime-allowance, if any, to remain as has been customary in the past; but in no case shall any person receive in any one week compensation for more than forty (40) hours labor, on petition of Michael M. Dwyer and others.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town of Andover, Mass., will vote that no person or persons be employed in any department of the Board of Public Works and the Moth and Tree department who is no a registered voter of the Town of Andover, Mass.

PROVIDED—That minors who may have dependent parents, eligible to receive Town Relief, or who have lived in the Town continuously six months previous to application for work, may, at the option of the Board of Public Works or Moth and Tree department be employed, on petition of Michael M. Dwyer and others.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to give preference to: Married men with dependents and Real Estate Tax Payers, of the Town of Andover, and single men with dependents having a legal claim on them for support, for labor service in any department of the Board of Public Works and Moth and Tree departments, in conformity with General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26, regarding preference for soldiers and sailors, on petition of Michael M. Dwyer and others.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will require that applicants for work must file a written application blank giving age, place of residence, time lived there, in any department of the Board of Public Works and Moth and Tree department, said application blanks to be furnished by the Town of Andover. Applications must be filed not later than four o'clock p.m. Friday for work following week, on petition of Michael M. Dwyer and others.

Mr. O'Connell: I move that these four articles be considered as one. They all have to do with the general problem of unemployment under the direction of the Board of Public Works, and it would be difficult for us to discuss them one by one.

Moderator: I would like to call your attention to the fact that this means you would be considering articles 26, 27, 28 and 29 as one article.

Mr. Dwyer: I would say in the first place that forty hours a week is enough. The work on the town of Andover has to be divided amongst those who cannot get work any place else. When these people are needy they come to the town fathers for assistance. Are we not all entitled to our just share of the forty hours? If you want to give one man 48 hours and another man none, that is an unequal division. We find that William Green last Sunday in an address said that today there were 8,300,000 unemployed, and that labor saving devices were displacing manual labor so fast that we will have to come down to 35 hours a week to eliminate this unemployment. There were no more people working on the first day of March than there were on the first day of February, and we should do something about it. This 40 hours divided up is going to add a little more work for the town of Andover. But bear this in mind. Forty hours a week does not mean that you are going to get 48 hours pay. Our regular rate is 56 1-4 cents per hour which gives them $22.50 per week. I know there is a lot of them getting $27.00. I am entitled to my share as well as any of them. The next article asks that every man become a registered voter in the town of Andover before he get work on the town. I think it is an absolute necessity. We have no way of finding out about these men if they are not voters. I have heard of strangers coming here, moving in on Monday or Tuesday, and getting work the following Friday or Monday. One person like this worked beside me at Haggetts pond. There is a foreigner working in this town drawing a pension from a foreign government. This pension is ten dollars a week, and I am walking the streets. It is not my policy to question any man, but I don't get that.

Moderator: The gentleman is wandering. The question before us is the question of taking up the articles together or singly. We had better dispose of that first. This gentleman is talking about two or three different articles in the warrant.

Mr. O'Connell: Have the four articles taken up as one and then I am willing to give him the rest of the week after that.

Mr. Traynor: We should refer this to Congress. I think we should have a congressional law on them and turn them over to Congress.

(Voted to consider the four articles as one.)

Mr. O'Connell: I move that these be referred to the Board of Public Works, and the Moth and Tree Departments.

Mr. Berry: I move that they be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Dwyer: The state positively states that citizens shall be given preference and the only way we are going to have a check on this is to make them reigster.

(Cries of "Question!")

Moderator: The motion before us is that these articles containing problems we want solved on the unemployment be referred to the Board of Public Works and the Moth and Tree departments.

Mr. O'Connell: My motion has been superseded by a motion to indefinitely postpone the articles.

Moderator: It is before you now to definitely postpone these articles.

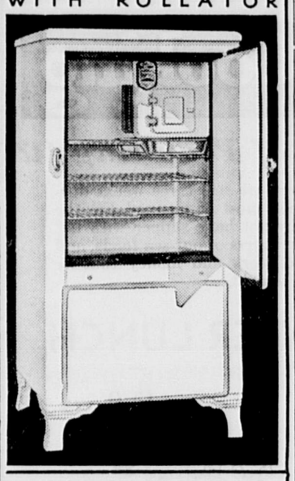
(Voted to indefinitely postpone articles 26, 27, 28 and 29.)

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will place

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Thomas E. Gray late of Andover in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Michael S. O'Brien who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named; wthout giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the twenty-first day of March, A.D. 1932 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Harry R. Dow, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., *Register.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Alice Agnes Boucher late of Andover in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by William C. Ford who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Newburyport in said County of Essex, on the twenty-eighth day of March A.D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, HARRY R. DOW, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., Register.

W. C. & E. J. Ford, Attorneys,
Lawrence, Mass.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Patrick J. Scott late of Andover in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Mary E. Scott who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the twenty-first day of March A.D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Harry R. Dow, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., *Register.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss

To all persons interested in the estate of Catherine A. Findley late of Andover in said County, deceased:

WHEREAS, Clarence W. Bronson executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the final account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lawrence in said County, on the eleventh day of April A.D., 1932 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed,

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation, to all persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Harry R. Dow, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., *Register.*

Town of Andover

PUBLIC HEARING

Andover Coal Company, having petitioned the Board of Selectmen for a license to keep, store, and sell petroleum products (fuel oil) to the amount of 60,000 gallons in four underground tanks of 15,000 gallons each, located on the property of the Boston & Maine Railroad, Railroad Street, in the said Town of Andover, a public hearing on said petition will be held at the Town House on Monday, March 28, at 4:00 P.M. in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws relating thereto.

FRANK H. HARDY
ANDREW McTERNEN
JEREMIAH J. DALY
Selectmen of Andover

Andover, March 17, 1932

Town, After Hour's Discussion, Resolves Against State Institution

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the Captain, and eight patrolmen, who make up the regular Police Department on this date, under Civil Service by accepting Section 48, Chapter 31, General Laws. The acceptance of this section would place the police officers under Civil Service but would not give them any pension, on petition of Thomas F. Hendrick and others.

Thomas F. Hendrick: This is not going to cost the town any money. I don't think it has been given a chance. You will have to be very careful what you do. The state has said that the only way to get real safety is to have policemen who will act as they know the law. It is not going to increase your tax rate to do this, and it will help the efficiency of the police department. It will be the new men who will be affected and who will have to pass a physical and mental examination. It will mean the building up of a good police department.

Frank Hardy: Our Board is not in favor of this article. I have talked with several mayors of different cities where they have the police on civil service, and they have told me that they wish they had never heard of civil service.

Mr. Traynor: I won't take much time. I want to move that the article be indefinitely postponed.

(Voted to indefinitely postpone this article)

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way, a way as laid out and approved by the Board of Survey, extending from Magnolia Avenue to Sherbourne Street and southerly of Shawsheen Village School lot, on petition of John Franklin and others.

(Voted to accept this article.)

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift from the American Woolen Company, the following described parcel of land: Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Magnolia Avenue at the southerly line of the street first above described; thence southerly along the westerly line of Magnolia Avenue about 90'; thence in a curved line southerly and westerly about 20' to the westerly line of Poor Street produced; thence by line of Poor Street produced about 27' to an angle; thence turning an interior angle of 166° 3' 30" and running northerly 79.66' to the southerly side of the street above described; thence about 20' east to the point of beginning. A plan describing said parcel with a deed for same being on file in the office of the Town Clerk, on petition of John Franklin and others.

(Voted to accept this article.)

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way, Sherbourne Street from a point 215.8 feet north of the northerly line of William Street for a distance of 347.79' as laid out and approved by the Board of Survey, on petition of John Franklin and others.

(Voted to accept this article.)

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way, Stonehedge Road from a point, 474 feet northeasterly from Salem Street for a distance of 241 feet, as laid out and approved by the Board of Survey, on petition of Emery E. Trott and others.

Frank Hardy: I move that this be accepted but not at this time, and we should let it go over until our next annual town meeting.

(Voted to take this up at the next annual town meeting.)

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to accept, as a gift, from the American Woolen Company, the following described parcel of land: A strip of land 2 feet in width on the easterly side of North Main Street extending from the northerly line of land of Harig to the intersection of the South Union Street line, said strip being approximately 533 feet in length. A plan describing said parcel with a deed for same being on file in the office of the Town Clerk, on petition of John Franklin and others.

(Voted to accept this article.)

ARTICLE 36. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year, with the approval of the Selectmen.

Thaxter Eaton: I move that the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1932, and to issue notes therefor, payable within one year, any debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

(Voted to be passed.)

ARTICLE 37. To determine what disposition shall be made of unexpended appropriations and free cash in treasury.

Thaxter Eaton: I move that all unexpended appropriations be turned into the treasury with the exception of the following: War Bonus surplus, $803.33; North Main street, $4,661.46; also that the sum of $14,000 be transferred from the overlay reserve to the Reserve fund and that free cash in the treasury to the amount of $10,000 be voted the assessors for reducing the 1932 tax rate.

(Voted to be passed.)

ARTICLE 38. To act upon the report of the Town Officers.

(Moved that the report of the Town Officers be accepted and placed on file.)

ARTICLE 39. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Charles J. Bailey: Two years ago on the suggestion of the Finance committee, and also representing the men here working for the town who have regular jobs and the fellows who have not got anything, a committee was appointed to investigate the salaries paid by the town. At that time we did not take in the town officers. Some of them are elected and the Finance committee felt it did not have ethical jurisdiction over their office. Since that time it has come to our attention that there was some discussion as to the hours of labor, hours of work, kind of work, etc., done by some of our town officers. Some of them are part-time jobs. Some people have told us that the men who hold these jobs were getting too much and others not enough. As to the hours of work some say that we ought to be nine to five. Downstairs you will see it posted on the door that they are nine to four-thirty, and some people have told us they have come up here and found no one to do business.

Confusion exists in many ways. Others told us there is over-lapping of work with some people doing work that ought to be done by others. It is barely possible that any committee or any individual may be too close to something so that he cannot see, his vision is warped, or secondly, they don't want to break the precedent which has been established.

The Finance committee has made a recommendation that a committee be appointed by the moderator to consider this very carefully, looking into the work performed by all town officers, whether appointed or elected, the hours they put in, whether they are part-time jobs or are here from nine to five. It is barely possible that being so close to this work we would not see the merits or demerits of the system, so I am going to make it as a motion that the moderator appoint a committee to go into the matter of analyzing the kinds of work and hours of work very carefully, with the endeavor to have the town offices run on the same basis and compensation, with the same kinds of work and hours of labor as is done in any private corporation. The town of Andover is a public corporation, but there is no reason why the work could not be just as carefully performed as it is in any private corporation. Because of that idea on our part, Mr. Moderator, I move the moderator appoint a committee to report to the Finance committee not later than December 1, 1932, the number to be in the discretion of the moderator.

(Seconded)

Moderator: I consider it entirely germane as we are spending no money whatever for this committee to serve.

(Voted)

Walter M. Lamont: I wish to speak in a plea for the town of Andover. This is not anything that will cost you money today. Those of us who were born in this town have a certain sentiment. Many who have come to us and live here are enjoying this wonderful New England town and most of the newcomers agree that we have a wonderful town, well governed, and well taken care of. I want to speak briefly in regard to the State Institution for Feeble Minded that, it is contemplated, may be located in this town. We have now two famous institutions, namely Phillips academy and Abbot academy, and we also have our own public schools which are not secondary to any but are really looked upon by our neighbors as a credit to any town.

These institutions have given Andover a place in the entire universe, and I want to ask you citizens, do you want in this community, in our town, an institution for the feeble minded? No doubt a great many of you have given this matter very little thought. I know that I did not become enthused until I gave it a good deal of consideration. This is really one of the most crucial situations that this town has been confronted with and one that should be given great thought. Andover has absolutely nothing to gain and everything to lose.

Of course there are a certain number who will receive compensation or receive consideration for their property which is to be taken over by the state. This project, as I understand it, probably will take in a territory from the West Parish cemetery to about Haggett's pond and south to Ballardvale, and from the acreage that has been mentioned, from over 1000 to 2000 acres, it will mean that from a mile and half to two square miles is taken out of that section of West Andover.

We are more or less concerned with the property taken over by these schools on our hill. That is having consideration all the time, and both parties realize the importance of this burden to the town, but that is not an issue now. We start off first with a supply of water and water protection, and I notice in this book the engineer recommends an appropriation or a bond issue of $89,000 for the water supply for this institution.

They say nothing of a sewerage system, but we know this must necessarily be connected with the water supply, of course.

I do not know why that was omitted, but instead of an appropriation or a bond issue of $89,000, citizens, you will find that if this project is accepted your bond issue will be nearer $150,000, and I am not exaggerating it one iota. That is what we will pay if we invite that institution to our town. We not only lose the interest on that money and the principal, $125,000 to $150,000, but we also have a maintenance that will be a continual burden on this town for all time.

Not only that, but we give up from $60,000 to $80,000 of taxable property on which we never will receive one penny of return. With me and with others I have talked to, we feel that this situation is really so important that we would like to have an expression of everybody in this town to help us. Tomorrow a group of citizens are going to see the Governor, not to ask him but to plead with him, not to allow this institution to come to our town, and we ask you to either express your approval or your disapproval of this institution coming to our town, and give us something to go to the Governor with tomorrow afternoon. Thank you.

John Traynor: Mr. Lamont has said they are going to the Governor. Go to him on your bended knees and tell the Governor not to come to Andover. We want her to stay as she belongs. We want to keep dear old Andover as she is. I am not one of those investigators that come down there, because I hope to God and for the sake of Andover that they will never step to Andover.

Charles B. Roberts: I am interested in public welfare and might also be said to be somewhat of an authority on mental diseases, and care of feeble minded and delinquents. I believe that to permit or encourage any institution such as a feeble minded school to locate itself in this town would be not only stupidity on the part of the citizens, but it would be most uneconomical.

We have already heard that it will cost a tremendous amount in a bond issue, and I am quite prepared to say that it is possible it may cost more than $200,000 to install a sanitary system and a water system for such an institution. If that in itself were about to bring to the people of Andover a lot of opportunity for employment, then I suppose we should feel somewhat concerned about permitting that institution to come here, but, my friends, every one, more or less, who is likely to be employed in the state institution comes under Civil Service; therefore you would be in competition with all types of people from every part of the state, and there would be nothing in that for the people of Andover. I want to say this, also, that the feeble minded, although not extremely dangerous, are however somewhat of a menace to the community because of the mental attitudes that are not up to the standards of the so-called normal citizens.

We know perfectly well that to permit them to roam at their free will through the town of Andover would be likely to create many problems that we do not wish to contend with. There are quite a number of problems likely to develop, and you will find them quite difficult to handle. I feel from the economic view point you citizens should strongly oppose the building of such an institution, because I believe by the way you have voted the various appropriations today that Andover prides itself on having the smallest tax rate through the United States.

It would be plain stupidity to permit that bond issue, for ourselves and posterity to pay. That institution would be a detriment and I hope that you will oppose it strenuously. I believe you will succeed if you have sufficient courage of your convictions to support the committee that is likely to meet the Governor within a few days.

G. Edgar Folk: Whether or not I desire this institution to come to Andover, as I understand it, the state has to provide such institutions and has to take care of some of our citizens sometimes. Now I would like to know just upon whose community and upon what people we would like to place this institution, that takes care of our own people along with the rest. I know I am very unpopular in the suggestion that I made about establishing the cannon in our square, the cannon which perhaps killed some of the men that I helped to bury, and now I would like to know upon whose community would you like to put this organization? Would you like to send it over to Lawrence? I have heard it said you don't want bootlegging institutions here, so you put them over on Lawrence. Do we want to send our people to some other institution? I hope that we will look at the idea all the way through and all the way around.

George B. Frost: (Prolonged applause greets him.) I am quite sure that that hand-clapping means that you are all so glad that for once I have sat here without opening my mouth, and now I rise to speak. We held a meeting last night expecting the members of the Lions club to answer some questions, but they held a meeting last night for the express purpose of looking into the affair of the Feeble Minded Institution. After a long discussion fo several hours we finally got down to the crux of the whole problem, for in every problem, as I said last night, no problem comes to mind alone, it comes with its aunts, cousins and all its relatives.

This is a complex problem, as intimated today, and some people are benefited and some people are not benefited and some people are actually injured by it, so it is a complex problem and the only way to solve a complex problem is to seize at once upon its major parts or the crux of the whole problem.

Is it a stigma upon the town, and if it is a stigma do the benefits accruing from it counter-balance the stigma? That is precisely what came to my mind last night and you have to touch the very nugget of the whole problem. My question, and what really forced me to speak was this: I understand that this Dr. Kline who was invited to come to Andover was asked by the Lions club, and in answer to a very pertinent question he definitely said, "We like Andover better than any other spot we have looked at so far and we propose to come to Andover whether you like it or not, but we want to come with a welcome."

Brethren, it is no use to receive them on a pitchfork. So far as I know these gentlemen can go up and confer with the Governor tomorrow, but they are assuming that the Governor has it within his power to say No. All we asked last night was that they would carry with them from this committee a message saying please defer the matter for thirty days and allow Andover to investigate until we all know what we are doing. We have one of the most splendid towns that I know of, but we are not perfect. The trouble with us is that we form our decisions hastily with insufficient data. We don't look into the facts, as I said last night. Never in my history of twenty-odd years have I ever seen such organization. Young men, middle aged men, all have devoted themselves as never before to the interests of Andover. They are analyzing, and they have spent days and days investigating every single item, and there never was a more intelligent audience or a people qualified to instruct an audience better than those sitting around here today.

Moderator: We have nothing concrete in the shape of a motion for discussing the benefits and ill effects of the proposed measure. I would just like to remind you.

C. Carleton Kimball: (Not allowed to speak)

Mr. Traynor: I was standing on my feet here long before he was. Anything that you see coming from a special commission that is under the cloud of secrecy, always dig underneath it. Dr. Kline thought of going down to Salem to locate a feeble minded school. He thinks everybody in Andover is feeble minded so he is bringing it in here. If it was the only place they could go we would open our hearts and receive it, but we don't want these imbecilic people going up and down our streets as they do in Wrentham.

Mr. Kimball: Mr. Traynor has merely shortened my speech. I wanted to bring before you something to the effect that the voters of Andover assembled in town meeting express their hearty disapproval to the proposal to establish a State School for Feeble Minded in Andover, and most earnestly plead that the board in charge reconsider their proposition.

(Seconded)

Mr. Kimball: I would like to add one thing myself, to the arguments. We have heard the economic question discussed and it seems to me that there can be no other answer, but there is a higher question. Here we have a town of which I think we are all proud. We are known outside, throughout the state of Massachusetts for these schools, Phillips academy and Abbot academy; in fact outside it is not always called Phillips academy, it is known as Andover. Are we going to barter that reputation which we have in Massachusetts and in the United States, to be known as a town where there is a school for feeble minded? We cannot risk it. We have a duty, not only to our town but to the state and the United States as a whole, to keep Andover known for the right kind of education.

Nathaniel Stowers: I hold no brief whatsoever for the state school. If I were to vote and had to go to the polls and vote now as to whether I wanted a state school here or not, I rather think I would probably vote No, because I would rather have somebody else get it. The only reason I take the floor at all is in the interest of truth. I happen to be on this committee of which Mr. Frost spoke, appointed by the Lions club, asking seven representative men to investigate. We listed some 40 questions tentatively, and will probably have 25 more questions which we will want answered before we can give the facts to anybody. We have not by any means completed our investigation.

We have only scratched the surface but we have found out the answer to the financial question.

There have been certain statements or indictments made in regard to the cost to the town which I have taken it upon myself to explain. We have figures from the Board of Public Works which absolutely prove that the state, whatever money is put into sewer or water, no matter what we put in, $50,000 or $500,000, the state will pay the money back over a period of fifteen years, plus interest.

Whatever money we put in for water and sewer, that is assured me by the Board of Public Works, and they have even intimated that it can be so figured that they can make a little profit on Dr. Kline. As far as the tax rate goes, $100,000 is involved, or houses valued at $63,000 and land at $37,000. We lose the tax on the houses, but we do not lose the tax on the land; in fact that state pays us a tax rate on the land which is higher than our tax rate, so that the actual loss would probably be about $2100, and that would probably be offset by the profits, plus the slight amount of money that might be spent in the town. So this committee has decided on the question of economics. So far as the stigma is concerned, that is another question. That is something else entirely, and I might vote against it on that ground; but let us keep these facts on economics straight.

Mr. Bailey: It is a great pleasure to have listened to this discussion. When it comes to a question of economics I have had 15 years experience under state government, and I think I know my way around down there. When you get down to the question of economics, just remember the state will come here if they so desire, whether we like it or not, although they rarely do things in the face of direct opposition, as a matter of policy or fairness.

On this subject of economics, just realize the land they will take is bounded by the land owned by other people and every land owner has certain rights. Please recognize and help out the fellow whose property adjoins the property to be taken by the state. Some of you people have the idea that if they don't come here we are putting something in the way of taking care of these unfortunate people. Now nothing is further from the actual truth. If it were a question of coming here because they could not go anywhere else we would open our arms, but just realize the state has all the money it wants.

Maybe it may sound like heresy for me to talk this way about my employers, but I repeat that the state has all the money it wants and when they take a place they take it. You have got to consider what has happened in other cities and towns, when something objectionable comes. I may be misunderstood, because it is of course very nice to have these people properly cared for, but I want you to realize what has happened in places where these institutions are. Certain men in this town have gone into it and they are not telling you all they know. It would surprise you if you got some of the heart breaking statements made by people who have property abutting in some of the other places where they have been located. They cannot give it away.

Now consider your own people. They have rights, and if we protect them it is to our credit. There are certain men going to the State House tomorrow and you must give them credit for good intentions. Before this institution comes here it may be two or three years, or ten or fifteen years before they get into operation, but we are told they are making arrangements for possibly 2000 pupils (I almost said inmates).

Then you add the 400 or 500 who would be taking care of them and you have 2500 people They cannot be confined; there is no means of confining them. They are at perfect liberty when they take it into their heads to go. They may never come up here to Andover in our day, but if they do it is a care on our police department and our fire department, and when you think of the economic standpoint and the amount of money you will expend, that is only the beginning.

Give credit to these men who have gone so far as to give up their time and go down to the State House. I do not know the result, but give them credit for good intentions, and also consider the property abutters if the state takes this land that we have in West Andover. Understand this, they don't come up and say, "We want an option." They send a stranger to talk about it. You don't see them sending a normal school up here. We owe it to ourselves to decide today whether or not we are in favor of this. Please understand the effect it is going to have on abutters. It would surprise you if you went to some other cities and towns and see how they feel about it.

Anna W. Kuhn: There is room for explanation. I wondered if any member of the Lions club could tell us if Dr. Kline told them why they are coming to Andover?

Joseph Chambers: It is a difference of opinion in this world that makes the mare go. The whole world over, we all know, from the coral strands of India to the rockbound coast of Maine, and everywhere we are hearing the cry, bring back the Lindbergh baby. What are you going to do with it? Cast it aside? Under the roughest exterior beats a heart full of love and devotion.

Moderator: I must ask you to stick to the point.

Mr. Chambers (continuing): This is not a menace to the town. Your hearts should go out. Supposing it is your kid. You probably haven't got any, there never was any and never will be. One of them a little while ago would have been saved if there had been a state institution but they had to send it to Danvers. In the heart of all things there is beauty. In every human soul there is sufficient light. Supposing you had spinal meningitis and was crippled for life. We can all . . .

(Laughter)

(Meeting called to order)

Clara A. Putnam: I rise to speak in the name of education. It was 42 years ago this spring when I began. God made the feeble minded. They come into the homes of rich and poor. I know nothing of the details of this, but I know many a father and mother would have reason to thank God so far as their own children are concerned if they had these institutions to go to. Many a child has gone through my own school who would have been far better off if he had the advantages of such a school, as for instance, the one at Waverley. Well do I remember the time when two of us primary teachers were taken to spend all day at Waverley. Our eyes were opened when we saw their wonderful work. We need to take a sober second thought, in my humble opinion, before we condemn this institution or build such a halo around ourselves and our town. In my time these things were looked at from the standpoint of the masses, but now it is the individual who is considered. Let us remember that in addition to those whose intelligence is 160, which means the very high genius type, we also have the ordinary, and God made us all. He also made it possible that the child at the lower end of the line is just as much entitled to make of himself a successful citizen and develop his faculties to the degree that is possible, as well as for the child who becomes a genius at the top of the line. I could not allow this vote to take place without registering my opinion. I thank you. (Loud and prolonged applause.)

Mr. Francke: I think there is a motion and I would ask to have it read.

Moderator: The motion was to the effect that the voters of Andover in town meeting assembled do earnestly protest against the establishment of a school for the feeble minded in Andover, and request the Department of Mental Diseases to reconsider their proposition.

Herbert Lewis: I have been waiting a long time, and I do not think I am taking anything away from my brother here who has already spoken twice on this.

Moderator: No, I do not think so either.

Mr. Lewis: I have been waiting for an opportunity, but those in favor of this motion have seemed to monopolize the floor, and there has been no chance for anyone to speak in rebuttal, excepting as Miss Putnam got a chance to speak. I have some property adjacent to this proposed school. Now I think all the speakers here who have spoken against this school have been talking considerable propaganda. I have lived adjacent to other institutions for years and never have I seen anyone get injured in any way by coming in contact with the inmates of these kind of schools, and I don't think it would be the unanimous opinion of the town of Andover to send a committee up to the State House to see Governor Coolidge, I mean Ely, to interfere with the Governor, although in the last analysis I suppose he has no say, because it would be the State Legislature that would appropriate the money. I hope this motion will not go through.

Edward V. French: I do not think Andover wants to take the position that it is opposed to the kind of work which these schools for the feeble minded are doing, and I think there is nothing in the proposition that would lead to that conclusion, but there is a danger that that will be the impression which goes forth. The work of these schools is a splendid work and a necessary work, and I think we all agree fully with Miss Putnam about that, but really the question before us is this—is it advisable to have a school like that in the town of Andover? Now I think the situation is this. This town has peculiar conditions; it has a peculiar heritage in its school life, and say all that we will, the bringing of a school of that type here will confuse certain issues and be detrimental to the interests of Andover on that ground, and detrimental to some extent to the schools that are already here. I think the financial question could be handled all right, but there is a broader question involved. I am sure the people of Andover are not in the mood to say just "Oh, let some other community have this school", but the point of the matter is that we have peculiar conditions here that make the coming of this school detrimental. There are other places with no such heritage of history in school life, with more open territory, where this splendid but unfortunately necessary work can go on, and I think that the position that Andover might well take is that they ask the state to recognize the special nature of the case before they put that school in this town.

Mr. Traynor: Miss Putnam talks as if it would be beautiful charity if you would take these people in your tender arms. That is all I have against it. Andover is no better than any other town, but the best place you can put it is in some silent little part of the state, of which the state of Massachusetts has thousands of acres. That is the place to place those poor children. It is not a money matter, it is the body and soul of these children and their minds. This economical question is nothing. Andover doesn't want them but if it is the only place in the world for to put them, then Andover will take them, but have charity in your heart.

Joseph Burns: We have a school here which is known throughout the country as Andover, rather than Phillips academy, and has had a reputation for 150 years. We have a girls' school here which has been in Andover over 100 years, and I feel very strongly against adding this school for feeble minded. The town of Andover will not receive any benefits whatever from its location in our midst.

I sympathize with Miss Putnam in her claim that these unfortunate people ought to be cared for and properly cared for, but it does seem that in all Massachusetts with its wide areas some place where there is not the question of confusion of schools would be better, as the case would be if this school comes here. I am looking ahead, and I certainly don't want the town of Andover to be wagged by the tail of the kite and have it known as the town where the feeble minded school is. I have heard it said that 1000 acres are to be taken, and I have some clients who are desirous of selling their land to the state, so I don't suppose I am showing the best judgment, for I am asking the town to go unanimous on this motion of Mr. Kimball's, but I have got to thrust the personal issue aside.

I don't believe that we want a school for feeble minded located in Andover, and I hope that this body will send this committee to the State House with a unanimous opinion that we not only don't want it but that we actually condemn such a school in this location.

Mr. Roberts: I listened with a great amount of interest to Miss Putnam and I thoroughly endorse her approval of such schools. I believe that individual treatment is

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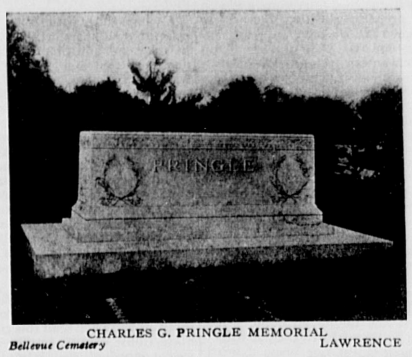
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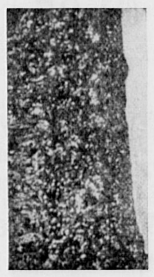
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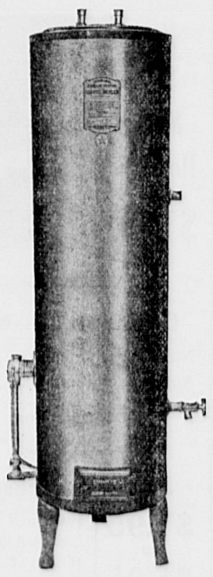
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most essential, and I hope that the future will take care of that.

My real reason for getting up here today is because I do not believe that the location for such a school has been well chosen from either angle, not only the economical but the psychological viewpoint. We have a school here that people speak of as Andover academy in every part of the world. I believe that it would make a terrific impression upon the minds of people if you began to link up the feeble minded school and Phillips academy, so it seems to me that this psychological aspect is one you cannot overlook.

We know these children are human, they are the misfits, possibly the derelicts of society, and are unfortunately placed by their mental situation where there is no opportunity to develop along the lines of normal children, and I believe it is the duty of every citizen to take care of them, but I believe it is also the duty of every citizen to see that we do not develop the making of feeble minded children, for I believe in prevention rather than cure.

Nevertheless throughout this Commonwealth there are wonderful spots where this institution could be established to the betterment of these children, where they would be taught to be self-supporting, taught the values of outdoor life and the influence of that environment would be very welcome. But here I consider that we would be in conflict with two different opinions. The 25,000 people in and around Andover would know that the two institutions, the one up on the hill and the other one in the hollow, were just separate, distinct institutions; but when you begin to speak to outside people they would think that these institutions were somewhat similar, or attached in some way, and they would naturally be prejudiced so that there is a possibility that instead of a full quota at Phillips it would fall down very rapidly.

The opinions of most of the people are usually directed along the particular line they are seeking. Everyone has expressed their opinions because they feel they have a right, but one has the viewpoint of how much it is going to cost, another takes the sentimental view point, and others the educational view point. I support that view point and I must also make the point of bringing your attention to the advantages of having the school placed where it will have opportunity to expand, and in New England I am sure there are many thousand acres which the state has at its disposal.

Moderator: The moderator has been here now for four long hours and I am reminded that it used to be said that in New Haven when a man came there to preach the question was asked "How long did he preach". I remember the answer made by dear old friend Hadley, "He preached for a long time, but there were very few souls saved after the first fifteen minutes". I would ask you therefore, for your own sakes, and for mine to try to make this very brief.

(Question called for)

Mr. Chambers (attempting to speak): . . . sounding brass and tinkling cymbal . . (Laughter).

(Meeting called to order)

(Resolution passed)

(Meeting adjourned at 5.35 p.m.)

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Kelley, John, 47 Essex street
Laurie, Mrs. Annie, 59 Whittier street
Lyons, Ethel C., Highland road
McCollum, Fred, 22 Lincoln street
Meadowcroft, Mr. and Mrs. Harry, 36 Washington avenue
Morrissey, Barbara C., 66 Poor street
Morse, John F., 41 Whittier street
Nesbit, Hedley G., R. F. D. Wilmington
Phillips, Michael F., 36 Union street
Poor, Lillie B., Andover street, Ballardvale
Randall, Elizabeth, 79 Summer street
Robjent, Mary B. and George F., 62 Elm street
Ryan, Mary, Main street
Sevigny, Arthur and Phoebe, Box 27, R. F. D., Lowell
Sharpe, John and Josephine, Andover street, Ballardvale
Smart, Martha, 119 Main street
Sullivan, Daniel V., 24 Maple avenue
Swanton, Annie B., 23 Summer street
Swenson, John A., 193 North Main street
Thompson, Joseph, 283 South Main street
Simpson, Dr. W. H., 33 Wolcott avenue
Taylor, Thomas D., 79 Lowell street
Trumbull, S. B., 130 Main street
Tyler, Bessie B., 20 Washington avenue
Sweeney, John F., 42 High street
Walker, Martha, 440 North Main street
Weber, Emil, 53 Lowell street
Whittier, Mrs. Emma F., 21 Broadway, Stoneham
Williamson, Margaret and Nellie, 54 Morton street
Young, John M. and Mary, 86 Central street
Keating, James E., Ballardvale
Sullivan, James, 6 Shawsheen road
Casteo, Margaret A., 1 Clark road, Ballardvale
Greenwood, Marguerite S., Tewksbury street, Ballardvale
Munroe, John and Jennie, 20 Baker lane
Keith, Mrs. Winnifred A., 63 Essex street
Marshall, James, 23 Washington avenue
Stack, Michael, 39 Pearson street
Symonds, Fred, 60 Salem street, R. F. D.
Nice, A. C., 120 Hancock street, Cambridge
Temple, Flora B., Somerville
Driscoll, Mrs. Ellen P., 51 Peters street, North Andover
Gilbert, Florence B., Andover street, Ballardvale
George, Evelyn W., 57 Haverhill street
Newton, Lester C., 29 Highland road
Perkins, Henry F., 46 Walnut avenue
Shepard, Mrs. Fannie L., 18 Dufton road
McCormack, George A., 1078 Fellsway, Medford
McFarlin, E. Taber, 95 Elm street
Morrison, Mildred W., 5 Canterbury street
Packard, Martha W., 1 Orchard street
Partridge, P. W. 50 Walnut avenue
Partridge, Christine L., 50 Walnut avenue
Richards, Mary E., 47 Abbot street
Rivard, A. F., 36 Main street
Steinert, Edwin H., 288 High street, Lawrence
Ramsdell, Harry, 16 Summer street
Hickey, Julia, 25 Essex street
Hodgdon, Adelene L., Center street, Ballardvale
Shaw, David, 85 Main street
Utley, Henry A., Shawsheen Laundry
Mooar, Phillip C., 103 Lowell street
Forbes, Charles H., 25 Hidden road
Beddows, Florence, 46 East Brook place, Lawrence
Bell, Mary and Alice, 32 Morton street
Bradbury, Alfred, 9 Brook street
Brooks, Harry A., 99 Lexington avenue, Cambridge
Cheever, Alice M., Bancroft road
Burgess, Catherine, 106 Main street
Cronin, Nora H., 6 Elm street
Cross, Jerome, 53 School street
Davies, Catherine C., Ballardvale
Dean, James L., 2 Kensington street
Farmer, Nellie H., 43 Whittier street
Humphreys, Martha, 10 Wolcott avenue
Hartigan, John J., 5 School street
Holt, John V., 74 Bartlet street
Jenkins, Ruth M., Ballardvale road
Kidder, A. V., Highland road
Lawson, David R., 24 Wolcott avenue
Mauvell, Louise I., 109 Main street

Garden Club Show March 30

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well . . . Lounging chairs in gay striped cotton shown by C. S. Buchan . . . Paper picnic outfits, bridge accessories and Garden Books, by the Andover Bookstore . . . Chinese porch-pillows, southern pottery vases and plantings of succulents and cacti by Miss Florence Nesmith of Lowell . . . Mrs. McClellan will show Moroccan baskets and weaves . . . Mrs. Dennett of Newburyport, hand-loomed knitted dresses . . . The Harborn Shop, dresses and accessories for all occasions, moderately priced . . . Mrs. John Kunhardt of North Andover, children's dresses . . . A group of local handcrafters: Mrs. Earl Powers will show drawn-in-rugs; Mrs. James Malloy, Irish crochet; Mrs. Ezell, painted trays and birds; Mrs. Wallace, hand-decorated china . . . Iron wall brackets and billboard stickers on sale by the club . . . W. R. Hill will show a full line of Breck's seeds and up-to-date garden tools . . . Livingstone, flowering plants, cut flowers and Japanese gardens . . . Miller Shoe Store, garden and sport shoes . . . Hiller, garden smocks in all sizes in a profusion of new colorings . . . Copley Candies, fresh-made chocolates and bon bons and nuts right out of the oven . . . Lawrence Gas and Electric company will demonstrate some of its newest appliances, such as the Waffle-Master and adjustamatic iron. A feature will be the delicious frozen salads made on the spot by the General Electric refrigerator and the blue plate dinner cooked in the Ever-Hot Cooker while the family is away for the day.

Springfield, Mass., March 17—James Milnes of Andover has been awarded a place on the President's honor roll for the first semester at American International college, according to a recent announcement. Mr. Milnes is one out of 33 students who attained the average minimum grade of 80 per cent required for honor students. Membership in the honor group is considered a high honor because it carries with it the personal commendation of the President and a recognition of special ability and usefulness to the college community. Honor students are excused from the cut system.

School Board Organizes for Year

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of the Department to employ unmarried women teachers, and to request those who marry to resign.

3. In case of choice between equally well-qualified candidates preference is usually, though not necessarily, given to residents of Andover.

4. Subject to the above regulations the superintendent submits the name (or names) of the candidate (s) whom he thinks best fitted for the position to the sub-committee on teachers for approval, and through them to the committee as a whole for election, a majority vote being necessary to elect.

5. Vacancies occasioned by the temporary absence of teachers are filled by the superintendent, but not for a longer period than the balance of the school year.

6. The annual election of teachers and superintendent takes place at the regular April meeting of the committee; and in electing any teacher or superintendent who has served in the Andover public schools for the three previous consecutive years such election is to serve on tenure at the discretion of the committee. (See Chapter 71, Section 41 of the General Laws.)

7. Within two weeks after election teachers must give the secretary written notice of their acceptance or non-acceptance of employment. Every teacher is subject to transfer, and may, in accordance with the General Laws (Chapter 71, Section 42) be dismissed by the committee for violations of the rules, unfitness or incompetence. A thirty-days' notice is required and given in case of dismissal or resignation.

8. The salary of no teacher is reduced without his consent except by a general revision of salary affecting all teachers of the same salary grade in town. And the salary of no superintendent is reduced without his consent until at least one year after the committee so votes. This is in accordance with General Laws Chapter 71, Section 43.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Sanborn's report was read and accepted, and the committees for the coming year were appointed. They are as follows:

Teachers committee—Mrs. E. V. French, chairman; Miss Mary E. C. Geagan, Dr. Nathaniel Stowers.

Buildings and Grounds committee—William Doherty, chairman; Mrs. R. N. C. Barnes, Frederick E. Smith.

Finance committee—H. Gilbert Francke, chairman; Claxton Monro, Clifford W. Dunnells.

The resignation of Mrs. Eleanor S. Crittenden, recently married, was accepted. This is to become effective June 24, 1932.

Mr. Francke reported the change in budget for special tuition from $1,000 to $700, due to the fact that two of the special vocational students had dropped the course.

It was voted that the action of the committee on January 8, 1932, requesting teachers to pay for their own substitutes, be rescinded, this action being in accordance with Article 4, Section 15 of the "Rules of the School Committee". "A teacher may be absent because of sickness, death in the family, or other extreme emergencies not to exceed ten whole days in any school year without loss of pay."

The Buildings and Grounds committee was instructed to obtain bids for coal for the coming year.

It was suggested that electric lights be installed in the West Centre school, and the matter was referred to the Buildings and Grounds committee.

The reports of the various school department heads as recently outlined in the annual School Report were discussed at some length.

It was agreed that the subject of transportation be placed on the calendar for the April meeting.

It was also decided that the question of combining history and geography in the junior high school be referred to the committee on teachers and curriculum.

Radio Week

Much interest was manifested regarding radios in the various schools. There are now three schools, the Indian Ridge, North and West Centre, which are not so equipped. It was felt that the children of the Indian Ridge and West Centre were too small to obtain much benefit from the educational programs for which these radios are used, but that a great deal of benefit might be derived by the children of the North school if a radio were installed. The present radios are all gifts of various organizations.

It was voted that the length of periods in the high school, together with the matter of language curriculum, be referred to the Teachers committee together with Mr. Hamblin and Mr. Sanborn.

A clerk for Mr. Hamblin was discussed and the question asked if some of the pupils from the Commercial department could not be of real assistance to him. It was learned, however, that this is now being done as much as is practical.

The matter of seats for Punchard hall together with lockers for the basement was referred to the Buildings and Grounds committee.

It was suggested that the school department call attention to the various organizations in town to the value of pre-school health examinations, and ask their co-operation with the school department.

After the reading of the bills for the month the meeting adjourned at 10.40.

(Signed)
H. Gilbert Francke,
Chairman
Clifford W. Dunnells
Secretary

Suggestions for Easter

SILK DRESSES—all sizes	$3.95, $5.95, $9.95
STRAW HATS—colors—navy, brown, black, green, scarlet	$1.95, $2.45, $2.95, $3.50
SCARF VESTIES—plain or figured silk	$1.00
SILK SCARFS—striped and figures	$1.00
SILK BLOUSES—sleeveless and short sleeves	$2.00
FABRIC GLOVES—new line just in—tans and grey	$1.00
KID GLOVES—Black	$1.59 and $1.95 pr.
KID GLOVES—Tans	$1.95 pr.
DOESKIN GLOVES—all sizes	$1.95 pr.

UNDIES

RAYON COMBINATIONS—band and bloomer leg, sizes 34 to 40	79c
FANCY WEAVE COMBINATIONS—sizes 38 to 42	69c
PEACH AND PINK PANTIES AND BLOOMERS	50c each
SILK SLIPS—white, flesh, tea rose—bodice and built-up—lace trimmed all sizes	$1.95, $2.00, $3.00
LACE SILK HOSE—new shades	$1.00, $1.15, $1.35, $1.50
NEW SILK MESH HOSE—tans	79c and $1.00

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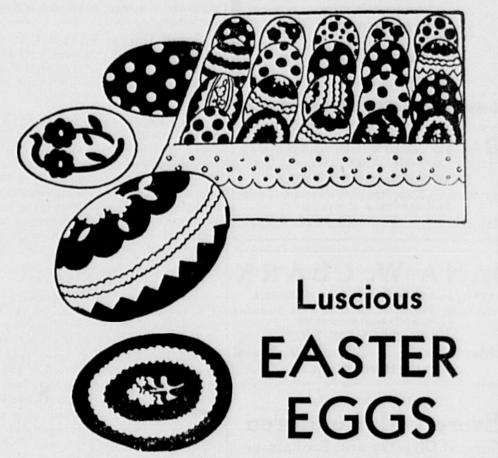


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Fowl, 5-lb. average	31c lb.
Boneless Sirloin Roast	39c lb.
Corned Beef Tongues	23c lb.
Sugar Cured Sliced Bacon	17c lb.
Undercut Pot Roast	23c lb.
Porterhouse Steak	55c lb.
P-Nut Butter, 2-lb. jar	27c
Tomatoes, large can	2 for 27c
Andover Eggs	3 doz. for 97c
Monarch Tomato Juice, no. 2 can	2 for 27c
Swansdown Cake Flour	25c pkg.
King Arthur Flour, 24 1-2 lb. bag	98c
Seedless Grapefruit, large size	4 for 29c
Broccoli	2 lbs. for 29c
Tomatoes	18c lb.
Iceberg Lettuce	2 for 17c
Florida Oranges, sweet and juicy	2 doz. for 65c